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GENERAL ORDERS. } HEAD-QUARTERS, DEPT. OF S. C., GA., AND FLA.,

No. 51.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 31, 1863.

I. Before a General Court Martial, convened at Charleston, S. C., by virtue of General Orders, No. 30, current series from these Headquarters, dated February 19, 1863, of which Lieutenant-Colonel W. A. DANIELS was President, were arraigned and tried:

1. Private *J. B. Mitchell*, Company C, 8th Battalion Ga. Vols.

CHARGE I.

Disobedience of Orders.

Specification.....In this; "That the said Private *John B. Mitchell*, Company C, 8th Ga. Battalion Infantry, P. A. C. S., did, on or about the 7th day of February, 1863, at Secessionville, S. C., refuse to answer to his name at roll call."

CHARGE II.

Gross and insulting language to the first sergeant.

Specification..... In this; "That he, the said *J. B. Mitchell*, Company C, 8th Ga. Battalion Infantry, P. A. C. S., did, on or about the 7th day of February, 1863, when his name was called, did answer, 'Here is your regular detailed battery guard, damn you.' The said *John B. Mitchell* did answer thus at three successive roll calls with the bitterest contempt." All this at or near Secessionville, S. C.

To which the accused pleaded as follows:

To the *Specification of 1st CHARGE*: "Not Guilty."

To the 1st CHARGE: "Not Guilty."

To the *Specification of 2d CHARGE*: "Not Guilty."

To the 2d CHARGE: "Not Guilty."

FINDINGS AND SENTENCE.

The Court after mature deliberation, finds the accused as follows:

Of the *Specification of 1st CHARGE*: "Guilty."

Of the 1st CHARGE: "Guilty."

Of the *Specification of 2d CHARGE*: "Guilty of so much as charges, 'In this; that he, the said *John B. Mitchell*, Company C, 8th Ga. Battalion, did, on or about the 7th day of February, 1863 when his name was called, answer, 'Here is your regular battery guard, damn you.' The said *John B. Mitchell* did answer thus with contempt. All this at or near Secessionville, S. C.'" And of the rest of the *Specification*, "Not Guilty."

Of the 2d CHARGE: "Guilty."

And the Court does, therefore, sentence the said Private *D. E. Davis*, of Company D, 46th Regiment G. V., P. A. C. S., "to forfeit to the Confederate States his pay for one month, and to be confined under charge of the guard at his camp for the space of one week."

25. Sergeant *A. Page*, Company C, Siege Train, P. A. C. S.

CHARGE.

Absence without leave.

Specification.....In this; "That he, the said Sergeant *A. Page*, Company C, Siege Train, P. A. C. S., did, without leave from his commanding officer, absent himself from the camp of his company at Race-course near Charleston, S. C., on the 17th day of February, 1863, and did remain absent until the 24th day of February, 1863." All this at camp of Siege Train, Race-course, near Charleston, S. C., February 24, 1863.

To which the accused pleaded as follows:

To the *Specification*: "Not Guilty."

To the CHARGE: "Not Guilty."

FINDINGS AND SENTENCE.

The Court, after mature deliberation finds the accused as follows:

Of the *Specification*: "Guilty."

Of the CHARGE: "Guilty."

And the Court does, therefore, sentence the said Sergeant *A. Page*, Company C, Siege Train, P. A. C. S., "to be reduced to the ranks."

26. Private *Ed. S. Rodley*, Company C, Lucas' battalion S. C. Artillery.

CHARGE.

Desertion.

Specification.....In this; "That he, the said *Ed. S. Rodley* private, Company C, Lucas' battalion Artillery, P. A. C. S., did, on or about the 27th day of June, 1862, desert from his company and remain away until arrested in Charleston, S. C., on or about the 26th day of January, 1863." All this at Charleston, S. C., between the 27th day of June, 1862, and the 26th day of January, 1863.

To which the accused pleaded as follows:

To the *Specification*: "Not Guilty, but guilty of absence without leave."

To the CHARGE: "Not Guilty."

FINDINGS AND SENTENCE.

The Court, after mature deliberation, finds the accused as follows:

Of the *Specification*: "Guilty."

Of the CHARGE: "Guilty."

And the Court does therefore sentence the said Private *Edward S. Rodley*, Company C, Lucas' battalion P. A. C. S., "to be shot to death with musketry (two-thirds of the Court herein concurring), at such time and place as the Commanding General may direct."

27. Private *G. W. Wilson*, Company C, Lucas' battalion.

CHARGE.

Desertion.

Specification.....In this; "That he, the said *G. W. Wilson*, private, Company C, Lucas' battalion Artillery, P. A. C. S., did, on or about the 18th day of September, 1862, desert from his company and remain absent until arrested in Savannah, Ga., by Sergeant Thomas Delahaunty, Company C, Lucas' battalion Artillery, P. A. C. S., on or about the 11th day of February, 1863. All this at Fort Pemberton and Savannah, Ga., between the 18th day of September, 1862, and the 11th day of February, 1863."

To which the accused pleaded as follows:

To the *Specification*: "Not Guilty."

To the CHARGE: "Not Guilty."

FINDINGS AND SENTENCE.

The Court, after mature deliberation, finds the accused as follows:

Of the *Specification*: "Guilty."

Of the CHARGE: "Guilty."

And the Court does, therefore, sentence the said Private *G. W. Wilson*, Company C, Lucas' battalion, P. A. C. S., "to be confined in a military prison for the space of six months; to wear during this period a twenty-four pound ball attached to his left leg by a chain two and a half feet in length; to be placed in solitary confinement on bread and water diet one week out of every month of his term of imprisonment, and to forfeit to the Confederate States all pay which may be now due, or which shall hereafter accrue, until the termination of this sentence, saving the just dues of the laundress."

28. Private *B. Temples*, Company K, 46th Regiment Ga. Vols.

CHARGE.

Conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline.

Specification 1st.....In this; "That the said Private *B. Temples*, of Company K, 46th Regiment Ga. Vols., P. A. C. S., when ordered by the sergeant in charge to police the camp, refused, and failed to do his full duty, and did, thereupon, quit the camp."

Specification 2d.....In this; "That the said Private *B. Temples*, of Company K, 46th Ga. Vols., P. A. C. S., positively refused and failed to go on guard when ordered by his commanding officer, viz: 1st Lieut. B. H. Crawford, Company K, 46th Ga. Vols." All this at Spring Street battery, in the City of Charleston, S. C., on the 2d and 3d days of March, 1863.

To which the accused pleaded as follows:

To the 1st *Specification*: "Not Guilty."

To the 2d *Specification*: "Not Guilty."

To the CHARGE: "Not Guilty."