

RG 109, Military Departments, Department of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, Register of Letters Received, Oct. 1862-May 1863, Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 6.

Camp Siege Train, March 1st, 1863

Charles Alston

Major Commanding

Relative to the suspension of D. W. Edwards, Co. "C" Siege Train.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 30.

Hd. Qrs., Dist. Georgia
Feb. 27, 1863.

H. W. Mercer

Brig. Genl Commanding

Asking authority to pay to David, a slave, a suitable, reward for his services in the enemy's lines. Also for authority to pay Pvt. Oliveira his actual expenses, & to give him a small reward.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 33.

Charleston, S.C., Nov. 1, 1862

R. T. Beauregard

1st Lt. Artillery

Surgeon's Certificate for 15 days leave of absence.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 47.

Charleston, S.C., Feb. 13, 1863

W. S. Bennett

States that negroes are frequently hired in camps without the consent of their owners, calls attention to the evil & asks the attention to & the enforcement of the rule, that no negro shall be employed without permission from his owner.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 86.

Charleston, S.C., Feb. 17th, 1863

C. Cevor

Capt. & Ballonist

Applies to make an experiment with the Balloon in conjunction with Signal Stations.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 86.

Charleston, S.C., Feb. 23rd 1863

C. Cevor

Capt. & Ballonist

Applies for detail of 5 men to assist with Balloon.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 105.

Charleston, S.C., March 31, 1863

Ordnance Dept.

F. L. Childs
Major Artillery
Reports his presence in the city.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 120.

Charleston, Dec. 11, 1862

Engineer Corps
D. B. Harris
Maj. Eng.
Reports completion of battery of Ashepoo River at the upper obstructions.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 123

Charleston, S.C., Dec. 23, 1862

Engineer Corps
D. B. Harris
Major & Chief Eng.
Relative to the escape of several negroes from Govt. works.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 129.

Charleston, S.C., Feb. 23, 1863

Engineer Dept.
D. B. Harris
Major & Chief Engineer
Relative to slaves at work on fortifications running away, also giving names of white men implicated by them.
(See Endorsements Book C, p. 103.)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 131.

Charleston, S.C., March 8, 1863

Engineer Depart.
D. B. Harris
Major & Chief Engineer
Reports Battery at Combahee Ferry ready for its guns & requests they be put off at Yemassee Station on C&S R.R.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 301.

Pocotaligo, S.C., Feb. 24th 1863

W. S. Walker
Brig. Genl. Commanding
Notes of statements of negro spy David Johnson who had been sent to Hilton Head.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 359.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 18, 1862

Ordnance Dept.

T. L. Rhett
Col. & Insp. of Ord.

Mr. LeMat's drawing for 15 inch gun is not explicit enough in detail.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 421.

Beauregard Battery
Charleston Harbor, Sept. 15, 1862

Major Alfred Rhett
1st Reg. S.C. Artillery

Asks a Court of Inquiry to examine into the circumstances attending the death of Col. W. R. Calhoun.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 428.

Head Quarters 1st Mil. District
Nov. 26th 1862

R. S. Ripley
Brig. Genl. Comdg.

Reports circumstances connected with the arrest of Major F. L. Childs & encloses charges & Spe.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 429.

Charleston Jail, Dec. 9th 1862

Alexander Russell

Is a deserter from the Abolition fleet, and applies for permission to join Capt. Shultz Co. Palmetto Battalion Light Artillery.
(See Endorsements Book B, page 53)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, 431.

Charleston, S.C., Dec. 24th 1862

R.S. Ripley
Brig. Genl.

Returns papers relating to escape of negroes from Govt. works & remarks thereon.
(3 enclosures)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, p. 433.

Head Quarters, 1st Mil. Dist.
January 30th 1863

R. S. Ripley
Brig. Genl. Commanding

Reports that Major Childs refuses to deliver a 32 pounder rifled & banded gun at Charleston Arsenal for Fort Sumter.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, 434.

Head Quarters, 1st Mil. Dist.

Feb. 5th 1863

R. S. Ripley

Brig. Genl. Comdg.

Reports Franklin Abeel, one of the Federal prisoners, as a deserter from Capt. Shultz Co. P.B.L.A. Col. Gaillard, Provost Marshall, ordered to retain him in close confinement.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, 439.

Charleston, S.C., March 14th 1863

R. S. Ripley

Brig. Genl. Comdg.

Request to have Major Alston Commanding Siege Train report to him.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, 497.

Charleston, S.C., Feb. 10th 1863

J. T. Trezevant

Capt. Comdg.

Announces that he has this day assumed command of the Arsenal in Charleston &c.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, 502.

Charleston, S.C., April 8th 1863

Thomas Thompson

Col. 2d. S.C. Rifles

Asks leave to attend the Legislature of which he is a member.
(Special Order No. 78)

Chapt. 2, Vol, 20, 508.

Charleston, S.C., April 10th 1863

P. C. Gaillard

Col. & Provost Marshall

Says only prisoners (enemy) are 3 negroes.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, 567.

Charleston, S.C., April 23, 1863

Francisco de Moncada

Spanish Consul

In reference to Private Valentine Oliver claiming exemption from service, on the ground of aliency.

(See Endorsements Book D, page 144)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, 578.

Charleston, S.C. Nov. 30th 1862

Ordnance Dept.

F. L. Childs

Major Commanding

Requests a copy of the endorsement by the General Commanding on certain papers relative to his arrest.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 20, 590.

Charleston, S.C. Dec. 22nd 1862

Medical Department

R. A. Kinlock

Surgeon & Medical Director

Asking the assignment of contract physician J. Morrow to attend negro laborers.
(Special Order 260)

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Lancaster, S.C., Dec. 17th 1863

R. E. Allison

Enrolling Officer

Reports persons in Lancaster who failed to send slaves in obedience to orders of Commanding General.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, 4.

Lancaster, C.H. S.C. Dec. 30th 1864

R. E. Allison

Enrolling Officer

Reports his action in the matter of impressing slaves in Lancaster & remarks as to sundry defaulters.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, 21.

Charleston, Feb. 3, 1864

Capt. William M. Bridges

Company D, S.C. Siege Train

Application for the return to duty with their commands of certain enlisted men in the S.C. Siege Train who are now on detached service.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 32.

Abbeville Dist. S.C. April 11th 1864

P. H. Bradley & others

Asks exemption for their slaves from present call for coast defence.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 39.

Columbia, S.C. June 14th 1864

M. L. Bonham

Government State of S.C.

Requests suspension of call for slave labor until after the crops have been harvested.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 79.

Charleston, Sept. 3rd 1864

T. B. Bennet
Asst. Supt. Labor

Asks to be furnished with a guard to look after negroes arriving for labor on the defences.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, 135.

Submarine Defences
Charleston, S.C. Aug. 5th 1864

M. M. Gray
Capt. in charge of Torpedoes

Asks to have Isaac Hatcher, free person of color, turned over to this Department as a cooper.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 149.

U.S. Flag Steamer "Philadelphia"
Port Royal Harbor, S.C. Aug. 12, 1864

J. A. Dahlgren
Rear Admiral Commanding
U.S. Squadron

In relation to exchange of certain U.S. Naval Officers captured at Fort Sumter in Sept. 1863 for certain citizens of Georgia, a list of whose names is enclosed.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 155.

Georgetown, S.C., 30th Aug. 1864

Major S. Simons
C.S.

Asking information as to status of Free Persons of color serving in different Military Departments.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 215.

Charleston Jail, Feb. 17 1864

Benj. Hernandez
Company B, 27th S.C.V.

Makes a statement of his case and arrest and respectfully calls attention thereto.
(Discharge ordered March 12th 1864)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 261.

Camden, March 2, 1864

R. B. Johnson
State Agent &c

Encloses lists of slave-holders in Clarendon & Williamsburgh Districts who furnished labor at Charleston on last call Feb. 22, 1864 & are not to be disturbed by impressment as defaulters.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 282.

Marion, Dec. 19th 1863

G. A. McIntyre
Lt. & E. Officer

Reports persons in Marion who failed to comply with requisition for Slave Labor under General Order 138.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 283.

Charleston, S.C., Dec. 24th 1863

S. Choppin
Surgeon & Medical Inspector

Report on the Epidemic of Small Pox in 2nd Military District.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 287.

James Island, Jan. 4th 1864

Edward Manigault
Major Comdg. Siege Train

Gives reasons why Company "D" Siege Train to be composed of Louisianans has not been organized, waiting the arrival of Lt. Bridges.

(See Endorsements Book F, p. 523)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 289.

Charleston, Jan. 14th 1864

S. Choppin
Surgeon & Medical Inspector

Reports condition of negro laborers on Sullivan's Island and James Island as satisfactory.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 312.

Charleston, March 12 1864

John J. Mellen
Lt. & C.

Reports information obtained from captured negroes now in Charleston jail.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 337.

Columbia, May 21, 1864

C. D. Melton
Cmdg. Comscriptions

Respecting the enrollment of free negroes and free persons of color.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 357.

Prussian Consulate
Charleston, August 9th 1864

Hy Meyer
Acting Consul

States that several hundred aliens are in this city from Georgia & are desirous of leaving the Confederacy & asks that they be allowed to freight a vessel at their own expense to take them out of this Port.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 358.

Charleston, Aug. 15th 1864

E.C.S. Milne

Makes statement of facts connected with certain negroes of hers deceased in service of the Government and asks remuneration.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 362.

Greenville, S.C., Aug. 17th 1864

W. W. Perryman

Major Commanding Post

Relative to application for detail of free negroes.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 436.

Charleston, S.C., June 1st 1864

Theodore Stoney

Secretary Southern Torpedo Co.

Asks permission for the Company to have fifteen tons of coal (out of the quantity captured on the Ashepoo River) & transportation for ten tons.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 183.

Charleston, Jan. 15th 1864

Col. J. J. Ryan

Supt. Labor

Reports on failure to issue rations of meat to the negroes in his division on the 5th, 8th, 9th, & 13th of this month.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 568.

Head Quarters, 7th Mil. District
Feb. 16th 1864

W. B. Taliaferro

Brig. Genl. Comdg.

Calls attention of the commanding General to the fact that the troops of his command have been without meat rations for several days and that the Depot Commissary reports that it is uncertain when a meat ration can be again issued.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 603.

Rikersville, S.C. Feb. 22, 1864

Miss C. E. Weatherly

Makes a statement in regard to the "Fare" given our soldiers at Rikersville Hospital in charge of Surgeon Todd &c.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 498.

Head Quarters, 5th Mil. District
Charleston, April 28th 1864

Alfred Rhett
Col. Commanding

States that 1325 Prisoners will arrive here tonight.
Reports 100 men sufficient to guard Abolition prisoners.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 524.

Charleston, S.C., Dec. 17th 1863

R. L. Singletary
Chief Supt. Negro Labor

Asks whether he shall continue to discharge negroes at the expiration of 60 days.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 525.

Sullivan's Island, Dec. 18th 1863

Subsistence Department
S. R. Robertson
Major & C.S.

In relation to charges made against him of issuing condemned stores to negroes.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 547.

Charleston, March 25th 1864

R. L. Singletary
Chief

Reports that there are employed at this time in the works 1351 negroes 1/4 of the road hands supposed to be 2500 is called for from one of the Divisions every sixty days.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 33, p. 635.

Richmond, Sept. 6th 1864

J. Gorgas
Chief of Ord.

Regarding the assignment of Major Huger as Chief of Ordnance.

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Charleston, S.C., May 9th 1863

Engineer Dept.
D. B. Harris
Chief Engineer

Says that of the 2500 hands called for, only 83 have as yet been sent down by the State

agent.

(See Endorsements Book C, p. 408)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 80.

Charleston, S.C., May 9th 1863

Engineer Dept.

D. B. Harris

Chief Engineer

Reply to enquiry as to whether certain captured negroes can be usefully & securely employed.

(See Endorsements Book C, p. 408)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 88.

Charleston, S.C., July 20th 1863

Engineer Dept.

D. B. Harris

Chief Engineer

Asking that negroes who escaped from James Island during the shelling by the enemy be returned if possible.

(See Endorsements Book E, p. 187)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 93.

Charleston, S.C., Aug. 13, 1863

G. Thomas Cox

Assistant to Chief Engineer

Says that Major Echols reports that owners of slaves are threatening to take them off the works.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 96.

Charleston, S.C., Aug. 19th 1863

G. M. Eason

Superintendent

Negro laborers at work on Gun Boat will be ready to turn over to Major Welles tomorrow morning.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 96.

Charleston, S.C., Aug. 19th 1863

Engineer Dept.

William H. Echols

Major Engineers

Encloses a list of owners who consent to their negroes remaining on the works &c.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 106.

Charleston, S.C., Oct. 18th 1863

Engineer Dept.
Col. D. B. Harris
Chief Engineer

Gives extract from report of Col. Robertson, Engineer, James Island, reporting the desertion of at least 100 negroes.

(See Endorsements Book G, p. 183)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 195.

Griffin, Ga., Sept. 17th 1863

Insp. Genl. Dept.
Henry Bryan
Major & A. Inspector General

Reports that an officer refused to bury the dead at Battery Wagner on 6th when ordered to do so.

(See Endorsements Book G, p. 73)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 257.

Charleston, S.C. Aug. 3rd 1863

Medical Dept.
R. L. Brodie
Medical Director

Suggests a change in the rations of the Negro laborers.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 392.

Edgewood, S.C., Dec. 27th 1863

F. W. Pickens
Ex Governor S.C.

In reference to impressment of Negroes & Horses & the want of care of the former.

(See Endorsements Book F, p. 502)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 406.

Pocotaligo, Dec. 8th 1863

W. S. Walker
Brig. Genl. Comdg.

Relative to payment of slaves employed in the 2nd Military Dept.

(See Endorsements Book F, p. 437)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 418.

Charleston, S.C. July 29th 1863

Quartermaster Dept.
E. Willis
Major & Quartermaster

Relating to negroes desired for service in Hospital.

(See Endorsements Book F, p. 13)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 418.

Charleston, S.C, July 30th 1863

Quartermaster Dept.

E. Willis & others

Maj. & Quartermaster

Calling attention to the way the negroes at Fort Johnson are worked and medically treated.
(See Endorsements Book F, p. 14)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 428.

Charleston, S.C, Nov. 2d 1863

Hutson Lee

Major & Chief Quartermaster

Reporting 500 pair of wooden sole shoes in store.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 433.

Charleston, S.C, May 11th 1863

Catherine P. Rahall

Complains that Capt. Bunon owes her for wages of slave.

(See Endorsements Book D, p. 223)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 433.

Charleston, S.C, May 7th 1863

R. S. Ripley

Brig. Genl.

Asking if Prophylactics & stimulants can be supplied the troops.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 487.

Charleston, S.C, Nov. 13th 1863

R. L. Singletary

Chief Superintendent Negro Labor

Furnishes information relative to the quantity of salt issued to negroes employed on the defences of Charleston, S.C.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 493.

James Island, Dec. 1st 1863

J. B. Lartigue

Major & Quarter Master

Report relative to the wooden-soled canvass shoes.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 534.

Camp Siege Train, June 4th 1863

B. C. Webb

Capt. Siege Train

Application to have Major G. L. Buist assigned to the Command of the Siege Train.
(See Endorsements Book D, p. 309)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 542.

McPhersonville, Aug. 15th 1863

W. S. Walker
Brig. Genl. Comdg.

Makes report of five negroes having been carried from Combahee by two negroes from the Enemy.

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 581.

Charleston, S.C., Nov. 9th 1863

Medical Dept.
S. Choppin
Medical Inspector

Report upon the condition of negro encampments on James Island.
(See Endorsements Book G, p. 291)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 589.

Charleston, S.C., Nov. 28th 1863

Medical Dept.
S. Choppin
Medical Inspector

Report on the condition of negro encampments.
(See Endorsements Book G, p. 363)

Chapt. 2, Vol. 34, p. 592.

Charleston, S.C., Dec. 3rd 1863

Medical Dept.
S. Choppin
Medical Inspector

Reports the huts for the protection of the negroes on Sullivan's Island as inadequate to the purpose and recommends the building of suitable ones also recommends the furnishing of fuel & whiskey to the negroes.

(See Endorsements Book G, p. 398)

RG 109, Military Departments, Department of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, Telegrams Sent, July 1863-Feb. 1864, Chapt. 2, Vol. 45, p. 99.

Charleston, S.C. Nov. 22nd 1863 9:30 P.M.

Samuel Cooper
Adjutant & Insp. Genl.
Richmond, Va.
and
M. L. Bonham

Gov. of S.C.
Columbia, S.C.

Bombardment of Sumter has continued steadily in last 24 hours with little damage and few casualties. Enemy fired 17 shells into city last night with also little damage and no casualties. He has thus far thrown about 120 shells, to wound slightly one white man and kill one old negro woman. Not a house has been burnt. Garrison of Sumter is in fine spirits and hopeful.

G.T. Beauregard
Genl. Commanding

(The next day Beauregard sent Gonzales a telegram to meet him at headquarters)

RG 393, Part 1, No. 4108, Vol. 521, Head Quarters, Second Military District, Register of Letters Received, July 12, 1866.

City Hall, Charleston, July 12th 1866

Mayor P. C. Gaillard
City of Charleston

States the present disturbance between colored soldiers, citizens and Police, requests the Commanding General to lend him assistance to keep the disturbers in check.

RG 393, Part 1, No. 4108, Vol. 521, Head Quarters, Second Military District, Register of Letters Received, June 30th 1866.

Office Sub. Asst. Commanding
Summerville, S.C., June 30th 1866

Bvt. Lt. Col. Garrett Nagle

Forwards report of outrages committed by whites against blacks & vice versa in the District of Colleton.