

Sunday 12th Oct 1862

A cloudy day I have not been to church today the wind is N East and it is misty and cloudy a chilly disagreeable day during the past week I have been to the Barnstable convention to nominate a candidate for 1st District D. Elliot was the person selected so I visited for the first time in my life the Town of Barnstable it is unmore to the east of the Neck of Massachusetts Bay - David Hill am Marshes East South & West very uneven and from the highest point of land you can see but a short distance I came home at night arrived here at about 10 o'clock Thursday morning I went to Camp Hooker and stand during Thursday & Friday I was very much pleased with the order regularity and freedom from law & coarse expressions Capt St Col Barton was very attentive to me and I shall always remember it as a part of his gentlemanly bearing B Beete & Planes went to over yoke the neck or West neck returned this morning in the evening held a meeting of Deacons M. & myself at Conings Room then went to the "Parke House" then went up to the Camp at and home

Sunday 19th Oct 1862

To day quite pleasant and all is quiet this last week on Saturday we sold our Cat which we four had to gether to Hootings & Co at \$300 took the whole have been to meeting to day next to the counting Room a while and then took a walk with Beete & Planes nothing new especially has taken place The Guards and the 3^d Regt I learn will start on Monday next during the past week Mr Tho C Allen changed himself by the neck till he was dead a very good affair to his family and all his friends I presume the man has been tried almost beyond endurance somewhat with business but what I guess by other matters; wrong ^{and} Boys & indirect girls and a neck wife in many respects and strong and extravagant with all, and heavy losses in his enterprises, all conspired to make him very melancholy and led to this disastrous result. There is a great rise in all most all kinds of merchandise

Sunday 26 Oct 1862

On Wednesday last I went to Boston to see the N B City Guards and the 3^d Regiment take their departure from Boston for North Carolina. I went in the early train to B - and saw the 1st Boston Regiment as they marched on the Common and after staying there a while I went to the Old Army Depot and at about 2 o'clock the Regiment arrived from Lakeville I saw a great many acquaintances in the Guards and some in the other Companies from New Bedford I walked in the Street with Mr Lt Col Barton and also with Frank Oye & Frank Kempton and was detained a while when they marched on to the wharf but after a while I got on where they were then saw Mr Barton and shook hands with him he turned away he did not feel like shaking I presume I then found Frank and stand by him till they went on board the "Medinae" the "Mississippi" had gone into the strain (ie) a short distance from the wharf and about 15 minutes after the Guards went on board the Boat went out and anchored. I must say they acted like men I saw no showing in their feelings they suppressed their feelings like true and noble soldiers and I know the best and noblest of our citizens this have left their homes and all its endearments to dare and do and die if it need be in their Country's holy cause I watched them till dark and they were lost before they came to anchor to my vision I must sincerely pray that God in his infinite mercy will shield and protect them in the trials which are before them I think they have good and kind officers - I learn that the Boat went down to Boston Light and anchored for the night and early in the morning Thursday they started Friday morning the "Mississippi" started from "Holmes Hole" The wind blew very hard in Boston Thursday it became quite calm at night and Friday was quite fine and Saturday quite a fresh breeze and at night a little squally and the wind came round to the N East and I trust that to day they are at North Carolina and all are safe at that place, and I repeat, may God's blessing rest upon them all now and always.