

Camp of 12<sup>th</sup> Vermont Vol. Militia  
Near Fairfax Court House Va.  
July 12<sup>th</sup> 1863.

General:

In compliance with an order received at 9 1/2 o'clock P. M. July 11<sup>th</sup> I moved the right wing of the 12<sup>th</sup> Regt. to the stone bridge on the road leading to Chantilly for the purpose of protecting the camp of Cavalry in that vicinity -

The four right companies encamped on the east side of the stream about a hundred and fifty yards from the bridge. Company C., Capt. Page, was taken ~~across~~ across the stream & encamped in the pine woods on the south side of the road outside the Cavalry camp. Capt. Page extended his picket or vidette to the top of the hill where the "Ox Road", so called, crosses the Pike, keeping up the connection with his main body by intermediate posts. The post at the top of the hill consisted of a non-commissioned officer & three privates -

Nothing occurred during the night to disturb the pickets, except the unexpected passing of two considerable bodies of Cavalry -