

No. 29. 4th Reg. Ft. Ids. Camp New.

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Last Sunday Morning it was discovered that the Enemy had left their whole line of defense in front of Yorktown. We packed knapsacks tents and everything else at 11 o'clock were in pursuit. We marched some twelve miles passing tents stores with hats caps coats boots dishes. Roads lined by knapsacks coats cartridges boxes guns and the like showing that the Enemy had just left in great haste. In some places we found camp fires still burning. At about dark we came up with the Enemy intrenched in a series of forts the strongest of which was Fort Mc. Greer. Some skirmishing was kept up through the night. We laid down upon a Potato field tired enough to sleep anywhere. When we woke up in the morning we found ourselves in mud