

## Left Behind at Raymond

**According to Henry Sherman's diary, the 120th arrived at Raymond at about 2 in the morning of 14 May, 1863. 16 May: "Moved our regiments up into the town and quartered them in one of the large empty stores on the Public Square. We took for our Head Qrs. a small office on the other side of the Square. Capt. Moffit was appointed Provost Marshall." They were in Raymond, Mississippi until May 18, 1863, when they departed for Vicksburg.**

Company C, Muster Roll: On May 2nd the Regt took up the line of march for the rear of Vicksburg via Raymond where it **arrived May 7**

Company D, Muster Roll: On the 2nd, marched to Port Gibson, distant 5 miles. Left this point on the 3rd and arrived at Raymond Miss at about 2 am of the \*th.

Company F, Muster Roll: Marched to Port Gibson, Miss May 2nd 1863. Arrived at Raymond Miss May 13, 1863. Sergeant Benjamin Myers and Private Robert J Harris were taken prisoners at Raymond Miss, May 24, 1863 [May 25]. Left Raymond Miss. May 18, 1863.

Company H, Muster Roll: the enemy being defeated we pursued him Via Raymond (where we arrived May 14th and remained till May 18th)

Company I, Muster Roll: May 2nd advanced 5 miles to Port Gibson. May 3rd pursued the retreating enemy 13 miles. May 6th arrived at Rock Springs May 13th arrived at Raymond Miss. taken the day before by Logan and Quimby Remained in Raymond till the 18th--

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*Brigadier Gen. Peter J. Osterhaus, commanding the 9th Division*

"I had to remain at the post of Raymond only until 4 a.m., May 15, when the general commanding the army corps ordered my division, except two regiments \_\_ the Fifty-fourth Indiana and **the One hundred and twentieth Ohio Infantry, which were to be left as garrison** -- to march toward Bolton Station, on the Jackson and Vicksburg Railroad."

Meanwhile the others went with Osterhaus to Edward's station and Champion's Hill, 16 May 1863.

**Eberhart, Henry H.**, Co B, captured 24 May 1863, while in hospital at Raymond, Miss  
New York Tribune, 6 Nov 1863, page 1, available at GenealogyBank:

List of Union Officers **in prison in Richmond VA**

Included **Captain Henry H. Eberhardt, Company B**, 120th Ohio, captured May 24 1863 at Raymond [MS]

"At Raymond, Mississippi, he was taken ill in the spring of 1863, at which time the ill and wounded were left in the rear **without a guard** after the engagement at Raymond, Mississippi, and fell into the hands of the enemy. He was then held as a prisoner of war for twenty-one months and five days, in Libby prison and at Macon, Georgia, Columbia, South Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina, and Charlotte, North Carolina." Furloughed home after release, then transferred to Co E, 114th. [History of Ashland County Ohio, 1909]

**Wallace, Robert P.**, Co E, captured 24 May 1863 while in hospital at Raymond, Miss. Escaped from Libby Prison in Richmond VA on 9 Feb 1864.

**Myers, Tobias B**, Co H, was captured 28 May 1863 in action at Raymond, Miss. and was exchanged in Oct 1863.

**Ferguson, James**, captured 24 May 1863 in action at Jackson, MS, **or at the hospital at Raymond**; returned to company 26 Nov 1863. **From Pension papers: captured at Raymond Miss.** May 24, '63. Confined at Richmond VA June 3, '63. Paroled at City Point VA June 6, '63. Reported at Camp Parole Md? June 2? '63 and sent to Camp Chase O. June 23, '63 where he arrived Aug 22, '63 and sent to Regt between Oct 20/31 '63. : taken prisoner on or about 10 May

1863 by Confederate forces and carried to Libby Prison in Richmond Virginia. On the way to Libby Prison he was treated by a Confederate physician for 3 days while detained at Mobile, Alabama. He was detained about 7 or 8 days at Libby and then was ??traded/exchanged?? and sent to Camp Chase, OH.

**Harris, Robert J.**, Co F, captured 25 May 1863 in action near Raymond, Mississippi.

**Myers, Benjamin**, Co F, captured 25 May 1863 in action near Raymond, Mississippi; rejoined company on 10 Nov 1863

**Hoover, Lewis**, Co H, captured 25 May 1863, in action at Raymond, MS; exchanged Oct 1863

**Corporal Robert Bell**, Co H: From the pension papers of Daniel Gallagher, Robert Bell said: "In 1863 in

May as I said I was taken prisoner but was sick at the time and paroled by the rebels..was in our own hospital - that is I was in the hospital when captured and was paroled there within a few hours.

The next day a cotton train came along and I went to the Regiment at Black River from there to Vicksburg, from where I was sent to Camp Chase [OH], finally returning to the Regt in Oct."

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