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COMPANY OF CAPTAIN JAMES P. JONES

(Later Thomas B. Ross's)

MUSTER ROLL of Captain Thos. B Ross's Company, First Regiment, Second Brigade Illinois Mounted Volunteers called into the service of the United States on the requisition of Gen. Atkinson by the Governor's proclamation, dated 15th. day May 1832. This company was organized 4th. June 1832

No. ¹	NAMES. <i>(Privates in Alpha- betical order.)</i>	RANK.	COUNTY.	REMARKS.
1	Thos B Ross	Captain	Coles County	
1	James Shaw	1st. Lieut.	do	
2	Thos. Sconce ²	2nd Lieut.	do	Promoted 2nd. Lieut. 25th. July 1832
1	James Shaw	1st. Sergnt.	do	Horse lost in service
2	Danl. Needham	2nd. do	do	
3	Thos Barker ³	3rd. do	do	Furloughed from ft. Dickson Augst 13th. 1832 appnted 3rd. sergent 25th. August 1832
4	Saml. Doty	4th. do	do	
1	John Barham	4th. Corpl.	do	Furloughed at Ft dickson Augst 13th. 1832 Horse lost in service
1	Austin Nathan	Private	do	
2	Adams John J.	do	do	
3	Brown James Y.	do	do	Sick & Furloughd 22nd. June 1832 at Ft Wilburn
4	Bracken Jesse	do	do	
5	Baker Mark	do	do	Furloughed 13th. August 1832 at Ft Dickson
6	Carrico John	do	do	Left sick at ft. Dickson on 26th. June 1832
7	Canterbury Reuben	do	do	
8	Duty Richard	do	do	
9	Eastin John M.	do	do	Furloughed at fort Dickson Augst 13th. 1832
10	Frost Samuel	do	do	Horse Lost in service
11	Frazier William	do	do	
12	Halfhill Abram	do	do	
13	Hays Thomas	do	do	Lost 1 pistol in service Worth \$5.00
14	Lester Sigler H.	do	do	
15	Parker Benj Jr	do	do	
16	Parker Jonathan	do	do	
17	Riley Thomas	do	do	
18	Sluder Thos. C.	do	do	
19	Scott Andrew	do	do	
20	Stone James H.	do	do	
21	Shin Thos G. M.	do	do	
22	Vincent Obadiah	do	do	
23	Van Winkle Green L	do	do	
24	White Wm. M.	do	do	
25	Waldrope John	do	Clark County	

No. ¹	NAMES. (Privates in Alphabetical order.)	RANK.	COUNTY.	REMARKS.
26	Williams Henry	do	Coles County	
27	Williams Ho[r]ace	do	do	Sick furloughed from ft. Wilburn 22nd. June 1832
28	Waldrope William ⁴	do	do	furloughed from Kellogg's Grove Augst 11th.
29	Woodall Davis	do	do	Furloughd from ft. Wilburn June 22nd. 1832
30	Young John	do	do	Furloughd from ft Wilburn June 22nd. 1832
Discharged				
1	Kellogg Saml	do	do	Discharged from ft. Cosconong July 19th. 1832 on Surgeon's certificate
2	Parker Silas M	3rd. Sergnt.	do	Dischargd from ft. Cosconong July 19th. 1832 on Surgeon's certificate
Supposed to be discharged under Capt. Brimberry ⁵				
1	Ashmore Hezekiah N.	Private	do	Left at ft. Cosconong
2	Chadwell John	do	do	Left at Same place
3	Duty William	do	do	Left at Same place
4	Eastin Van S.	1st. Corpl.	do	Left at Same place
5	Eastin Harmon	private	do	Left Same place
6	Frost Henry	do	do	Left Same place
7	Gordon Patrick	do	do	Left Same place
8	Gastin Gibson	do	do	Left Same place
9	Gateley John J	do	do	Left Same place
10	Hart Jonathan	do	do	Left Same place
11	Logan William	do	do	Left Same place
12	Odell Isaac	do	do	Left Same place
13	Phelps Chas. D.	do	do	Left Same place
14	Parker Nathaniel	do	do	Left Same place
15	James James	2nd. Corpl.	do	Left Same place
Resignd				
	Isaac Lewis	2nd. Lieut	do	Resigned 25th. July 1832

RECORD OF EVENTS, WHICH MAY BE USEFUL TO BE NOTICED.

This Company was organized and Marched for the place of rendezvous on the 4th. day of June 1832

Drew one half bushel corn per Man forage while in Service
 Commissioned officers drew one ration each while in Service
 One bucket one axe one coffee pot 2 tin cups 2 frying pans 2 tin pans publick property lost while in Service

Thos B. Ross. Capt.

NB. Two hundred & eighty rations has been drawn for this company for traveling home from place of being mustered out of Service

Thos B Ross Capt.

I CERTIFY, *on honor*, that this muster roll exhibits the true state of Capt. Ross's *Company First Reg't Second Brigade, Illinois Volunteers in the service of the United States, for the period herein mentioned; that the "Remarks" set opposite the names of each officer and soldier, are accurate and just; and that the Recapitulation exhibits, in every particular, the true state of the Company.*

Thos. B. Ross Capt. *Commanding the Company.*

[NS] I CERTIFY, *on honor*, that I have carefully examined this muster roll, and that I have this fifteenth day of August 1832, *mustered out of the service of the United States, the above mentioned Company of the 1st. Reg't 2nd. Brigade by order of Brig. Genl Atkinson.*

Robt. Anderson Lt & Asst. Inr. Genl.

The Recapitulation has not been completed by the Capn.

ADS, IHI. The Recapitulation, which is incomplete, and Columns 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10 have been omitted here. Columns 4, 5, and 6 show that the company was enrolled in U.S. service on June 18, 1832, for 90 days and was entitled to pay from the time of enrollment. The eighth column lists those men present at the muster-out; absentees can be determined from the remarks. The tenth column, "Inspection Remarks," is blank.

IHI also has the company mustering-in roll, signed "James P. Jones Capt Commanding" and countersigned by "E. C. Berry, adjt & Inspector Genl" on June 18. The Berry certificate of inspection is in the handwriting of Joshua T. Bradley.

The June 18 roll includes the following seven men not on the mustering-out roll:

James P. Jones, captain, "Elected Major 19th June."
 Billings Starkwether, 3d corporal.
 David Hanson, private, "Hanson was elected to the office of Adjutant of the 16th of June & his horse run off on the 17th Inst."
 Martin L. Ashmore, private, "Ashmores horse run off on the 17th of June 1832."
 He transferred to Richardson's company of the 2d Brigade Spy Battalion.
 G. B. Fancher, private. He apparently transferred to Jacob M. Early's spy company.
 John D. Johnston, private, "Absent." He also joined Early's spy company.
 David Riddle, private, "Absent his horse the property of Thos Stovall was drowned in crossing the Ills. River. With the loss of his equipage the property of James Shaw he returned home on the 16th of June 1832."

Thomas B. Ross, 1st sergeant on June 18, was "Elected Capt June 19th"; James Shaw, a private, "Elected 1st Sergt June 19th." Thomas Sconce, who later became 2d lieutenant, and Thomas Barker, later 3d sergeant, were also privates at this time.

All company members are said to have been enrolled at Charleston on June 4, except John Gateley, whose enrollment date is given as June 16. He is marked "Absent." Additional remarks on the roll follow the names of William Frazier, "Frazier's horse the prop of C S Morton run off on the 17th of June"; Thomas G. M. Shin, "Shin's horse the property of Abnor Johnston run off on the 17th of June"; James H. Stone, "Stones horse run off and lost 17th June and not found"; Green L. Van Winkle, "Van winkle's horse run off on the 17th of June"; and Davio (so spelled) Woodall, "Woodalls horse run off 17th June and not found."

Names spelled differently on the June 18 roll are Reuben Canterbury, Horman Eastin, Gibson Gaston, Siglar H. Lester, John Waldrop, William Waldrop, Horris Williams, and David Woodall.

1 The numbering in this column has been corrected. On the original roll the names of the 2d lieutenant, Thomas Sconce, and 3d sergeant, Thomas Barker, were entered in the list of privates and later marked out, but the numbering was left unchanged.

2 Sconce's name was entered above that of Isaac Lewis, who resigned as 2d lieutenant July 25, 1832. Both Lewis's name and the remark giving the date of his resignation were marked out here.

3 Barker was appointed 3d sergeant July 25, not August 25. His name was also entered on the roll as a private but was crossed out. The remark there gives the correct date.

4 Waldrope was one of five men separately discharged by Capt. Z. C. Palmer at Dixon. A copy of the detachment roll (in IHI: Stevens Coll.) states that the five men were discharged Aug. 11. The other men in the detachment—Samuel Shaw of Alexander Houston's company, and Benjamin Hunsaker and Isaac and Martin Ray of Isaac Sandford's company—are said on their com-

pany rolls to have been furloughed at Dodgeville on Aug. 9. The detachment roll remarks that all five men were "Reported on furlough."

⁵ In addition to the fifteen men listed here, Billings Starkwether (or Starkweather), the company's 3d sergeant until July 25, was also mustered out in Capt. Samuel Brimbery's detachment.

COMPANY OF CAPTAIN JAMES M. BLACKBURN

(Later Isaac Sandford's)

MUSTER ROLL of Captain Isaac Sandford's Company, first Regiment, Second Brigade of Illinois mounted Volunteers called into the service of the United States on the requisition of Gen. Atkinson by the Governor's proclamation, dated the fifteenth of May 1832. This company was organized, &c. in Edgar County May the 10th. 1832.

No.	NAMES. (Privates in Alphabetical order.)	RANK.	ENROLMENT. DATE OF	REMARKS.
	Isaac Sandford	Capt.	19th. June 1832.	
	William Runyan	1st. Leicut.	Do	
	Aloysius Brown	2nd. Leicut.	Do	Furloughed at the Mississippi 4th. Aug. 1832.
	Thomas J. Buntain	1st. Serjt.	Do	
	George G. Boord	2nd. "	Do	July 21st. 1832 ordered to Dixins Ferry mare & equipage lost.
	Charles Bodine	3rd. "	Do	
	Alfred Van Houtan	4th. "	Do	Furloughed at the battle ground Mississippi 4 Aug. 1832 lost his horse 2nd. Aug. 1832
	John D. Bozarth	1st. Corpl.	Do	July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixins Ferry
	John Smith	2nd. "	Do	Do Do Do
	Winson Robertson	3rd. "	Do	Do Do Do
	James Cummins	4th. "	Do	Furloughed at the battle ground Mississippi 4th. Augt. 1832
1	Allen Harding C.	Privates	Do	
2	Buntain Andrew E.	Do	Do	July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixins Ferry
3	Breeden Fielden	Do	Do	
4	Bradshaw Elias	Do	Do	July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixins Ferry Substitute Kelsaw Campble
5	Boord, Mizaldus H.	Do	Do	[July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixon's Ferry] ¹
6	Cupps George W.	Do	Do	Do Do Do
7	Cowan John	Do	Do	
8	Camp Abisha	Do	Do	mare lost lamed & rendered useless
9	Cummins John	Do	Do	Furloughed at the battle ground Miss. Augt. 4 1832.
10	Davis Abraham ²	Do	Do	Left sick at fort Cosconong 10th. July 1832.
11	Drummond Henry	Do	Do	
12	Davis James	Do	Do	July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixins Ferry
13	Ewing James	Do	Do	
14	Edwards Altamus	Do	Do	July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixins Ferry
15	Ewing George	Do	Do	

No.	NAMES. (Privates in Alpha- betical order.)	RANK.	ENROLMENT. DATE OF	REMARKS.
16	Furnish Thomas	Do	Do	July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixins to Ferry
17	Forster Authur	Do	Do	Furloughed at the battle ground Augt. 4th. 1832
18	Forster John	Do	Do	July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixins Ferry
19	Fuller John	Do	Do	Do Do Do
20	Gillespey James	Do	Do	Do Do Do
21	Harding George	Do	Do	
22	Hunter Andrew	Do	Do	July 21, 1832, ordered to Dixins Ferry a bay mare and equipage lost
23	Hollingsworth John	Do	Do	lost one pistol appraised to \$3.00
24	Hunsaker Benjamin	Do	Do	Furloughed at Dogville Augt. 9th. 1832, to return home
25	Hill John	Do	Do	
26	Hauskins James	Do	Do	
27	Hunter Spencer K.	Do	Do	Sick
28	Jourdan Hartwell	Do	Do	
29	Koho Young	Do	Do	
30	Knight John	Do	Do	
31	Knight Joseph	Do	Do	
32	Lowrey Jacob D.	Do	Do	
33	Lewis William	Do	Do	
34	Martain Charles K.	Do	Do	
35	Murphy Uel	Do	Do	July 21, 1832 ordered to Dixins Ferry
36	McIntire Lucius	Do	Do	Furloughed at the battle ground Augt. 4th. 1832
37	McCulley Henry	Do	Do	
38	Montgomery William	Do	Do	
39	Morison David	Do	Do	
40	Martain John	Do	Do	J. Martains name possibly onited [omitted] on the original muster rooll at Illinois River but he has been in the company and purformed his duty from the start
41	Macy Samuel	Do	Do	
42	Noble Thomas	Do	Do	Noble Thomas July 21, 1832 ordered to Dixins Ferry
43	Pownall George C.	Do	Do	
44	Percell James C.	Do	Do	Furloughed at the battle ground Misss. Augt. 4th. 1832. lost his horse Bay & gun
45	Percell Edward	Do	Do	
46	Ray Martain	Do	Do	Furloughed at Dogville to go home Augt. 9th. 1832.
47	Ray Isaac	Do	Do	[Furloughed at Dodgeville to go home Aug. 9, 1832] ³
48	Ray Jesse	Do	Do	July 21, 1832 ordered to Dixins Ferry
49	Ray James	Do	Do	Do Do Do
50	Ray William	Do	Do	left at Dixins Ferry 25th. June 1832, to care of a sick man
51	Ross William	Do	Do	July 21, 1832 ordered to Dixins Ferry

No.	NAMES. (Privates in Alpha- betical order.)	RANK.	ENROLMENT. DATE OF	REMARKS.		
52	Reed George	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
53	Reed William	Do	Do			
54	Ripple Daniel	Do	Do			
55	Ripple Michael	Do	Do			
56	Stump Francis	Do	Do			
57	Taylor Joseph	Do	Do			
58	Taylor Gabriel N.	Do	Do			
59	Terrell John	Do	Do			
60	Van Houtan Isaac	Do	Do			
61	Van Houtan William	Do	Do			
62	Wilson Larken	Do	Do			
63	Wilson Rason	Do	Do			

The officers and men of this company have drawn only one ration each per day, and one half bushel of corn forage each during the campaign and rations were furnished by by each individual from home to Henipen on the Illinois River, all of which I certify on Honor this 15th Aug A.D. 1832

Isaac Sandford Capt

RECORD OF EVENTS, WHICH MAY BE USEFUL TO BE NOTICED.

N.B. this company was orgized on the 10th. day of May 1832 & started from Paris Edgar County on the 4th. day of June 1832, to Henipen to rendezvous thare on the 10th. by the Govonors orders from thence ordered to Wilborne to rendezvous on the 15th. day of June 1832, on the 17th. June were formed into regiments on the 18th. June formed into a Brigade and on the 19th. day of June 1832, mustered into service of the united states.

Rations have been drawn for the company at this place to return home to wit 10 Days up to and including the 25 Day of August 1832

I also believe by information that those men ordered to Dixons is discharged under Capt. Brimberry Recievd also of the U.S. 11 haulters 4 tent cloths 3 of the tent cloths have been returnd. the other tent worn out or lost all those 11 haulters are worn out or lost, of which I certify on honor at Dixins Ferry, August 15th. 1832.

Isaac Sandford Capt

I CERTIFY, *on honor*, that this muster roll exhibits the true state of Capt. Isaac Sandford Company in the first Reg't Second Brigade, Illinois Volunteers in the service of the United States, for the period herein mentioned; that the "Remarks" set opposite the names of each officer and soldier, are accurate and just; and that the Recapitulation exhibits, in every particular, the true state of the Company. Aug 15th. 1832

Isaac Sandford Commanding the Company.

[NS] I CERTIFY, *on honor*, that I have carefully examined this muster roll, and that I have this 15th. day of August 1832, mustered out of the service of the United States, the above mentioned Company of the 1st Reg't 2nd. Brigade by order of Brig Genl Atkinson

Robt Anderson Lt & Asst. Inr. Genl.

DS, IHI. A portion of the "Record of Events" is in Sandford's handwriting. The Recapitulation and Columns 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10 are omitted here. The Recapitulation gives the total company strength as 74 men, of whom 41 were present at the muster-out; 23 had been ordered to Dixon's Ferry and discharged earlier; and 10 were on furlough. Column 5 gives the period of enrollment as 90 days, and Column 7 gives the county as Edgar. Column 8 lists those present at the muster-out; absentees can be determined from the remarks. The names of Pvts. 60, 61, and 63 are given as Isaac Vanhoutan, William Vanhoutan, and Reason Wilson in this column. The sixth and tenth columns, "Pay" and "Inspection Remarks," are blank.

IHI has two other rolls of this company, a duplicate mustering-out roll (photostat from DNA), and the company's mustering-in roll, signed by Sandford, with Adj. Gen. E. C. Berry's certificate of inspection of June 19. The June 19 roll includes two men not on the roll above: James M. Blackburn, captain, "promoted to colonel 15 June 1832," and Thomas W. Dawson, private, "appointed waggoner."

The original officers of the company, as given on the June 19 roll, were Blackburn, captain; Isaac Sandford, 1st lieutenant; Aloysius Brown, 2d lieutenant; William Runyan, 1st sergeant; T. J. Buntain, 2d sergeant; Charles Bodine, 3d sergeant; Alfred Vanhoutan, 4th sergeant; Winson Robertson, 1st corporal; and John Smith, 2d corporal. Others who became noncommissioned officers are listed as privates.

Names of privates spelled differently on the June 19 roll: 17, Arthur Forster; 20, James L. Gillispie; 30, Henry McCully; 39, David Morrison; 43, G. C. Pownal; 60, Isaac

Vanhoutan; 61, William Vanhoutan; 62, Larking Wilson; and 63, Reason Wilson.

The DNA mustering-out roll is endorsed: "approved H. Atkinson Br Ge. U. S ay."

There are a few minor name variations on the DNA roll: 4th Sgt. Alfred Vanhoutan and Pvts. 17, Authur Foster; 29, Young Kohoe ("Koho" in the eighth column); 55, Micheal Ripple ("Michael" in the eighth column); 60, Isaac Vanhoutan; 61, William Vanhoutan; and 63, Reason Wilson.

Three men from this company, as well as William Waldrope of Thomas B. Ross's company and Samuel Shaw of Alexander Houston's company, were discharged by Capt. Z. C. Palmer at Dixon on Aug. 11. A copy of the five-man detachment roll is in IHI: Stevens Coll. The "Remarks" column of the roll states that all five were "Reported on furlough." The three men from Sandford's company, as listed on the detachment roll, were Benjamin Hunsacker, Martin Ray, and Isaac Ray, Pvts. 24, 46, and 47 on the mustering-out roll above.

The twenty-three men stated in the Recapitulation to have been ordered to Dixon's Ferry and discharged were mustered out Aug. 2 and Aug. 3. One man was discharged in Adj. Isaac Parmenter's detachment, and twenty-two others were discharged in Capt. Samuel Brimbery's detachment.

¹The bracketed remark is substituted for "Do's" on the original roll.

²Davis was mustered out of service at Dixon's Ferry on Aug. 2 in the detachment commanded by Isaac Parmenter.

³The bracketed remark is substituted for "Do's" on the original roll.