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Forwarded to
Genl. & Col. & Capt.

April 17th 1865

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at Raleigh
Camp. Near Goldsboro. N.C. Apt 27/65
Office A. A. P. G. 2^d Brig. 2^d Div 20th Ac

Genl

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of date January 25th 1865 pertaining to my responsibility for Ordnance stores in Co "H" 132th Regt from July 24th 1863 to Aug 9th 1863

In reference thereto I have the honor to make the following statement - of facts

I I never received an order by the commandant of the 132th Regt P. G. V. either written or verbal that I was to command said Company and never was ordered by him to have any connection with said Co only to assume the general direction of the ~~moving~~ to which this Co belonged for purposes of manouevring in face of the enemy or when engaged in actual battle

II I never did assume any responsibility voluntarily or unvolenterilly and had nothing whatever to do with the Ordnance stores of said Co only so far as have above been enumerated. to see that they were used in combat, and not till nine months had elapsed was it ever even hinted to me that I would be accountable.

If blame attached to any one in the premises, it must
purely be to Maj L. D. Warner the Commander of the Regt. who utterly
and totally failed to connect me in any manner however distant
with the liability to account for the Ordnance Stores of said Company

I make out all Ordnance stores for my Co (B) and for
Co G which I formerly belonged to, from July 24th 03 to
Aug 9th Jan 15th 04

Since January 15th 04 I have been on detached
service as A. S. G. and have not since that date been
accountable for any Ordnance stores

I certify on honor that the above exhibits a true
statement of facts pertaining to my connections with Co H
152nd Regt

I respectfully ask to be relieved of the accountability
as stated charged in your letter of January 25th 05
with a certificate of non indebtedness for Ordnance stores

I am, Genl.

Very Respectfully

Yours Obedt Servt

J. D. Harding

Capt 152nd Regt

A. S. G. Genl

2nd Brig. 2nd Div. 20th AC

(Copy)

A communication from Ordnance Office dated Aug 20th 1864
charges me with the following articles

Two (2) Bayonet Scabbards

Five (5) Cartridge Box Slates

One (1) Cartridge Box Belt

The letter of advice which accompanied the return
in which these articles were short stated the cause of loss, and
directed if not satisfactory to O. O. the money value be charged against
me on my pay rolls

Respectfully Submitted

J. D. Harding

Capt 152nd Regt