

Cincinnati, Nov^r 25th 1861.

Brigade General Rosecrans.
Commanding the Army of Western Virginia.

Sir!

Being deprived of my rights by a crime committed by one of the officers under your command, I take liberty to lay my complaint before you with the hope that the case may be investigated and being convinced that I will obtain my rights.

I served as 2^d Sergeant in Company B of the 10th Ohio Regiment under Captain Seitz. When the Regiment was at Clarksburg I received by the enclosed letter, an order from Captain Seitz to have having served the 3 months Term up to only a few days, in fact longer than any other soldier bound for 3 months. I had no doubt that I would receive my salary.

Captain Seitz however tries to deprive me of it. When I came to the Paymaster of the 3 months Troops I was told the Rolls of my Company had not been sent in, I could therefore receive no pay.

I went Captain Seitz next at Clarksburg and asked him for the 3 months Rolls. He said he had not made them out, but I might do so. I did it, but when I wanted the Captain to sign them, he refused to do so, until I would have procured him a few laughs. As Captain Seitz was at that time not in Command of the Company, the 1st Lieutenant Liebaum signed the Rolls. These Papers were made out only to get my pay, I therefore took them with me by consent of Lieut. Col. Hoff and Lieutenant Liebaum. (Lieut. Col. Hoff commanded the Regiment at that time.)

Some time afterwards the Captains of the different Companies of the 10th Reg. were ordered to make out the 3 months muster Rolls. Captain Seitz, then being under arrest, Lieutenant Liebaum made out the regular document. But before this was sent to the Adjutant, Capt. Seitz advised by some of his friends having sworn before that I should not receive my salary, tore the Rolls and made out incorrect documents omitting my name. (He was then still under arrest.) These files were sent in and I can at present ~~not~~ not now obtain my salary until this case has been investigated and the forgery rectified.

Being convinced that you wish to have men of honor as officers under your command, and having proof that you will do justice to every man, if it is in your power, I deliver with full confidence

Yours

very obedient

J. H. H. H. H. H.

1051 Seamen's Cove

First Lieutenant Sebaun of Comp. B 10th Regiment
 saw Captain Lacy leave the Muster Rolls, the Muster Roll
 now in the Company certified by Capt Lacy is Mustering
 Officer, Lieutenant Baker will prove that I have been
 enlisted for the 3 months service, and Lieut Col Hoff,
 Capt O'Dowd, Capt Hudson, Capt Ward, Col St.
 We can prove that I served during the above
 time.

Quartermaster Lacy was present, when Capt Lacy
 refused to sign the 3 months Rolls until I would
 have obtained a furlough for him.

Private Hedwig of Comp. knows, that Capt Lacy
 should not receive my salary

H. H.

Respectfully
 I am, Sir,
 Your obedient
 servant,
 H. H.

Quartermaster
 11-11-1864
 15th 10th Regiment
 I have that the present
 3 months as per
 in Co. B, 10th Regt
 that out with this
 Army

Respectfully
 I am, Sir,
 Your obedient
 servant,
 H. H.

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