

DUNLAP, John R. Capt., AQM

The National Archives contains three documents for John R. Dunlap in the files for the state of Virginia, Thirty-sixth Infantry (Second Kanawha Infantry), and twenty-nine documents for John R. Dunlap in the files for the state of Virginia, Twenty-third Battalion. Thirty-five documents are found in the files for Officers, John R. Dunlap. According to the website www.nps.gov, the 23rd Battalion was formed in January, 1862, was attached to Echols' and Patton's Brigade, fought at Greenbrier River, was active in the Shenandoah Valley in 1865, and disbanded in mid-April, 1865.

At the age of 33 John R. Dunlap enrolled on August 5th, 1861, at Princeton, (West) Virginia, and was elected on September 15th or 20th, 1861, as Captain of Company I, Virginia Volunteers, in the 36th Virginia Infantry (2nd Kanawha Infantry), which was subsequently transferred to the 23rd Battalion Virginia Infantry on about January 15th, 1862. Dunlap signed a voucher on June 9th, 1862, as "Capt. Co. I, 36th Reg V(irginia) Vols." A voucher for forage located Dunlap at Camp Narrows, Giles County, Virginia during the months of November and December, 1862.

John R. Dunlap was appointed on October 4th, 1862, as Capt. & AQM reporting to Gen'l Echols of the 23rd Virginia Battalion, confirmed on the same day, taking rank retroactively on July 28th, 1862.

A voucher of June 30th, 1863, and a report of December 10th, 1863, located Dunlap at Lewisburg, Virginia, reporting to Gen'l Echols. Other vouchers of this time frame were signed "in the field."

On July 27th, 1864, Dunlap wrote from Martinsburg (West) Virginia asking for an assignment along the line of the Va & Tenn Rail Road. With the changes mandated by Congress to the Quartermaster Department, Dunlap stated that he was "now in charge of a tram with nothing else to do." He added a postscript, "Gen'l Echols left us some days since, all quiet tho enemy all north of the Potomac." On August 20th, 1864, QM General A. R. Lawton recommended to Gen'l S. Cooper, Adjutant & Inspector General, that Dunlap be relieved from the QM Department and assigned to the Reserve Forces of Virginia. Dunlap received Order No. 194 from the Adjutant & Inspector General's office dated the same day and authorizing this recommendation. In a letter from the office of the Chief Quartermaster, Reserve Forces for Virginia in Richmond, he was instructed to "...proceed immediately to the Va & Tenn R Road & take charge of the QM Depot along that line of road. You will notify me as soon as possible the requirements of the command in regard to money & supplies."

Dunlap was listed as a Quartermaster in the QM Reserve Forces at Dublin Depot, Virginia, on January 30th, 1865, with a note that the appointment had not been confirmed by the Senate. A roll of prisoners of war listed Dunlap as having surrendered at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on May 16th, 1865. He was paroled at Charleston, West Virginia, on June 14th, 1865, with his description as age 37, height of 6 feet 2 inches, with a fair complexion, blue eyes, dark hair, and no whiskers.

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John R Dunlap Capt.

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Co. I 3d Reg Vt Vols.

Geo. R. Dunlap & Son
237 West

Very truly Yr friend
Wm. P. Stearns
Capt & Co 2nd M

Anna R. Newell
 A 2m 25th Barre

3rd Ball'n Virginia Infantry

[1st Bn. Co. de Cavalry]
[2nd Bn. Co. de Cavalry]

Hornshell, R.S. - Major [1st Bn. Co. de Cavalry]
Derrick, Charles - Lt. Col.
Cecil, Wm. T. - Major. R. March 5.03
Blessing, William - Major.

Harris, J. H. - Capt.
Baker, J. B. - adj.
Winters, R.C. -
Dunkley, J. R. - adj.
Sims, Geo. T. - adj.
Harden, James - adj.

Tompson, James - adj.
Bartholemew, Wash. -
Fitzroy, Wm. R. - adj.
Perry, James - adj.

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Range May 21/02

All Rolls filed herewith.
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Confederate States of America
War Department

Richmond Oct. 4th 1864

Sir

You are hereby informed that the President has appointed you Assistant Quartermaster 28th Battalion in the Provisional Army in the Service of the Confederate States; W. Rank as such from the 28th day of July one thousand eight hundred & sixty two

Immediately on receipt hereof please to communicate to this Department through the A & S Genl Office your acceptance or non acceptance of said Appointment and with your letter of acceptance return to the A & S Genl the oath herewith enclosed properly filled up subscribed and attested, at the same your ag Residence when appointed and the State in which you were Born

Should you accept you will report for duty to Lt Col Derrick

Capt John R Dunlap

A & S Genl 28th Battalion

Signed

Geo W Randolph
Secretary War

I certify the above to be a true copy

Dublin

Dec 15th 1864

R. A. G. Harner

Lt Col Comdg Post