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and Thursday afternoon Major Francis Moore of the Fifth United States cavalry and inspector general of the northern division, inspected the battalion. It was somewhat of a surprise to the boys to be put through a rigid inspection just then, but they made a good appearance and the major was well pleased with them.

All day Thursday and every other day, in part, many visitors were in camp. They were intensely interested in the mode of life and in the diversions of the cadets.

Friday afternoon a sham battle between company A and the two guns on one side and companies B, C, and D on the other was the great attraction.

Saturday, of course, the cadets were at the service of the city and the G. A. R. The cadet band headed the procession and considering the fact that but ten of the members were there, they made very excellent music. After marching about the principal streets and listening to speeches on the court house square the cadets escorted the G. A. R. to the cemetery, where they assisted in the exercises.

The march was taken up direct from the cemetery to camp and preparations for departure begun at once. The white duck trousers were changed for blue ones and white shirts for sweaters; personal belongings were packed; all litter was cleaned up, and tent stakes were pulled. The striking of camp is a novel and pretty sight. After the stakes were pulled two men were stationed at the poles of each tent and the bugler took his position at the end of the middle company street. All was ready at 6:30 o'clock and at the word from the commandant the bugler began to play. The call was a long one and exceptionally appropriate in its melody. As the last note died away every tent in camp came down and the boys cheered.

The baggage was quickly loaded and started for the depot. This part of the work was under the direction of Quartermaster Sergeant Teale. The boys took a last look about the old camp and the last march was begun. Route order was observed nearly all the way and the cheering and singing and yelling that was indulged in all the way through town was inspiring indeed. They cheered for everything and everybody and Nebraska City in general. In fact if they had not been in ranks it is doubtful if the mayor would have escaped being tossed as a final show of the appreciation of the wholesome hospitality of the Nebraska City people.

At the depot the scene was lively. All the boys who had made acquaintances during their stay were bidding fond adieus and making many promises that the cadet battalion would never consent to camp any where except at Nebraska City.

Here also the diversion which was always at hand came into use again, and the tossing canvas was put in motion. Everyone was tossed again. It wasn't funny enough to sling the cadets, who were used to it, thirty or forty feet in the air and catch them head first in the canvas, only to be sent up again. So the bystanders were given a chance and many unsuspecting and sedate citizens were whisked into the canvas and up in the air before they could object.

The train left at 8 o'clock and deafening cheers and rifle shots and the last thing that was heard as the train disappeared was the sweet notes of the old familiar song, "Good Night, Ladies," from the throats of two hundred cadets who to the question, "Who's all right?" will now invariably answer "The Nebraska City girls."

Yesterday afternoon little groups of cadets were noticed here and there all over town and there was as much story-telling and reminiscing as if the battalion had been through a three-year war instead of a three-day camp. The boys are all tired, for there are few who took more than six or eight hours sleep during the whole camp, but still there cannot be one found who is sorry he went. The camp was most successful. The weather was fine. Not a thing happened to mar the good time the boys expected to have.

Of course a number of things happened which need explanation and among them the most inquired about is: "Who loaded and fired the cannon?" It was bright and moonlight Saturday morning and not a soul was in sight near the guard tent except the picket, when suddenly the cannon, standing a few paces off, was discharged. The sergeant of the guard called a number of men and made a vigorous investigation, but failed to find a trace of the mischief-makers. It was found that the other gun was also loaded. In the morn-

ing it was found that the persons who had done the firing had failed to take out the wooden and leather plug which is put in the muzzle to keep the barrel clean, and this had plowed up the ground several rods away. No harm resulted, but what it might have done had anyone been near is alarming to think about.

On the way home the train stopped fifteen or twenty minutes at Syracuse and a number of the boys went up town. When the train left there was some running and scrambling to get on. A search proved that everybody had made it except Adjutant Barnes. He could not be found. When the train stopped again, however, he turned up, or rather down, for he had been riding on top of a freight car, which was the only place he could get on in the rush, and as the blind baggage was between him and the passenger coaches he had been unable to show himself till the train stopped.

CAMP ECHOES.

Bugler Smith was the most faithful man in camp. From reveille at 5 in the morning till taps at 10 o'clock at night Smith was always about. Yes, and he could blow the bugle too. The bugle playing he did at the cemetery on Saturday afternoon was one of the most beautiful and impressive parts of the exercises.

The band was the jolliest crew around. So say all the boys and especially those who happened to have beat number 4.

Sergeant Thomas improved the opportunity Saturday afternoon to sleep. He lay down on the grass immediately in front of the speaker's stand and while Tom Majors was growing eloquent George quietly dreamed of the exams that were to come.

Adjutant Barnes says the Nebraska City girls are all right. According to the boys he should put this in the singular and give it considerable emphasis, for the bright sword of the adjutant outlined against a neat, blue dress was one of the things about camp that became a familiar sight.

The officers of the day during camp were: Wednesday, Captain Reed; Thursday, Captain Pullis; Friday, Captain Schwartz; Saturday, Captain Reed.

Corporal Russell had the honor of making the first arrest.

Sergeant Cowmover of D company was sergeant of the guard Wednesday; Sergeant Parmelee of company A acted in that capacity Thursday; Sergeant Thomas of C company relieved Sergeant Parmelee at guard mount Friday morning and Sergeant Emerson filled this important office on the last day.

The officers of the guard for the four days were First Lieutenants Adams, McCarty, Benjamin, Warner and Leavitt.

Will McKay came down from Lincoln Friday afternoon and reported for duty at once.

Not the least amusing of kodak shots is the one which Charlie Cowmover is showing of Ray Teale wrapped in a blanket and soaring heavenward from the tossing blanket.

Now that camp is over the question the stay-at-homes are asking is, "Why didn't we go?" They all will next time.

Horace Greeley Whitmore spent a day in Nebraska City during the encampment. He says he is pleased with the place and thinks there is an opening there for a democratic newspaper.

There were a number of kodaks in camp and everything was pictured and in every way.

The officers who were honored with the distinction of being officers of the day were Cadet Captains Reed, Schwartz and Pullis.

On account of a very badly sprained knee, Cadet Captain Sedgwick was unable to go to camp and Cadet First Lieutenant Benjamin was in command of company D.

Drum Major Hedge was a very conspicuous object about town in his gay uniform. So the girls thought.

"Short" Lenhoff was the largest man in camp, and there wasn't a small boy in town who didn't learn to call him "Shorty" when they met him.

Professor Easterday was the only man in camp who wasn't tossed. The band boys had a hard time protecting him though.

Captain Guilfoyle took dinner with Cadet Corporal Bischoff at his home in Nebraska City Saturday.

Company B had a menagerie, consisting of an elephant with sabre scabbards for tusks, and a giraffe.

H. G. Barber and A. C. Fling, who are teaching in the Nebraska City high school, were in their element among the cadets and felt as if they were really cadets themselves.

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