

Proceedings of a Board of Survey convened at Fort Phil Kearney
D.I. Decr 15th 1867, pursuant to the following order

Head Quarters Post,

Fort Phil Kearney D.I.

December 17th 1867

Special Order
No 211

A Board of Survey to consist of 1st Lieutenant
Seth Bonney 27th Inf. 1st Lieut Thomas Connolly 27th Inf. and
2^d Lieut E. Tillotson 27th Inf. is hereby ordered to convene at 10
O'Clock A.M. to ~~day~~^{morning} or as soon thereafter as practicable, for
the purpose of verifying a discrepancy between a certain lot
of Subsistence Stores, invoiced by 1st Lieut Col J. W. Pariger
C. S. Omaha Neb. to 1st Lieut W. H. Warrens R. G. M. 27th Inf.
A. C. S. and the actual amount received.

The Board will fix the responsibility for any deficiency
and report as otherwise required by Par 1019 R. A. R. 1863, and furnish
duplicate Copies of its proceedings to these Head Quarters.

By order of

Brig Maj Gen John E. Smith Com^d Post

(Signed) A. H. Bowman

1st Lieut & Regt^d Adjt 27th Inf

Post Adjutant

The Board met pursuant to the above order, Present, All the Members

The Board find a deficiency of Thirty seven (37) pounds
Potatoes, and One thousand (1000) pounds Onions, not accounted
for by proceedings of Board of Survey, appended and marked
A and B which deficiency, the Board are of the opinion, must
have occurred while in transit to this Post, and that
Lieut W. H. Warrens, A. C. S. at this Post, should drop

Thirty seven (37) pounds of Potatoes, and One thousand (1000) pounds of Onions, in addition to the findings of proceedings of Board of Survey A and B which are attached herunto.

The Board find it impossible to fix the responsibility in the above deficiency in Potatoes & Onions

There being no further Business before the Board it adjourned Sine Die

(Signed) Seth Bonney
1st Lieut 27th U.S. Inf.

President

(Signed) E. Tiltonson
2^d Lieut 27th U.S. Inf.
Recorder

(Signed) Thomas Connolly
1st Lieut 27th U.S. Inf.

The proceedings of the Board are Approved and as the case requires immediate action, the usual copies will be furnished the Officers concerned

(Signed) J. E. Smith
Brig. Maj. Genl U.S.A.
Comd^g Post

December 19th 1867

A True Copy

H. W. ...
1st Lieut. and Regt^l Adj^t 27th Inf.
Post Adjutant

(C) Proceedings of a Board of Survey, Convened in obedience
to the following Special Order

Head Quarters, Fort Reno D³

November 22^d - 1867

Special Orders

N^o 125

Extract

II. A Board of Survey to consist of 1st Lieut J Keyes Hyer
18th Infantry U. S. 2^d Lieut W. W. Dougherty 18th Inf^y and 2^d Lieut Geo S
Hoyt 18th Inf^y will convene immediately, to examine and report upon the
quantity and condition of a certain lot of Potatoes & Onions, delivered
at this Post by Train N^o 18 of Wells Fargo & Co^y bound for Fort Phil Kearney.
The Board will be governed in its action by the terms of the Contract
between the U. S. and Wells Fargo & Co^y. The Board will in like manner,
report upon any Stores delivered at this Post by Contract Train N^o 20, for
Fort Phil Kearney

(Signed) J Van Voast

Major 18th Inf^y Comd^g Post

The Board met pursuant to the above Order, All the Members present
The Board find that Train N^o 18, was loaded for Fort Phil Kearney D³, and
that by the direction of the General Comd^g Depart., it was ordered
that fifty two (52) Sacks of Potatoes and fifteen (15) of Onions be left at
this Post, The Board find the actual weight of said fifty two (52) Sacks
of Potatoes (Sacks included) to be six thousand six hundred and
forty three (6643) pounds, - The Board also find that the said fifty
two (52) Sacks of Potatoes, from the marked weight on each Sack,
should weigh seventy one hundred and ninety three (7193) pounds, and
that therefore there is a deficiency in said fifty two (52) Sacks of Potatoes
of Five hundred & Fifty (550) pounds. The Board weighed several
Sacks, which appeared not to have been opened, and find that these
Sacks fall short of the original weight five (5) pounds, per Cent.

The Board therefore allow five (5) per Cent for Shrinkage, or three hundred and fifty nine (359) pounds, which still leaves a deficiency of one hundred and ninety one (191) pounds,

Inasmuch as some of these Sacks showed signs of having been opened, and that Potatoes have been taken therefrom, the Board decide that Wells Fargo & Co shall pay for one hundred & ninety one pounds (191) According to the rates, established in Article 8 of their Contract

The Board also find the Sacks weigh one & one half ($1\frac{1}{2}$) pounds each, or seventy eight (78) pounds, and are therefore of the opinion that Lieut Hyer ACS, at this Post, should receipt to the ACS at Phil Kearney for sixty five hundred & sixty five (6565) pounds of Potatoes, which were actually received, and that the ACS at Phil Kearney shall drop for shrinkage on the fifty two (52) Sacks of Potatoes, three hundred & fifty nine (359) pounds, and for the Sacks Seventy eight (78) pounds, and for the quantity Charged to Wells Fargo & Co, one hundred & ninety one (191) pounds, receipting to the Invoicing Commissary for the whole amount invoiced,

The Board find that the fifteen (15) Sacks of Onions, weigh (Sacks included) twelve hundred & eighty one (1281) pounds, and that said Onions should weigh fourteen hundred & twenty four (1424) pounds, leaving a deficiency of one hundred & forty three (143) pounds, The Board allow three (3) per Cent for shrinkage, or forty two (42) pounds, which still leaves a deficiency of one hundred & one (101) pounds, which the Board decide shall be charged to Wells Fargo & Co as stipulated in Article 8 of their Contract, The Board find that the fifteen (15) sacks, weigh twenty two and one half ($22\frac{1}{2}$) pounds, and are therefore of the opinion that Lieut Hyer 18th Inf. ACS shall receipt to the ACS at Phil Kearney for twelve hundred & fifty eight and one half ($1258\frac{1}{2}$) pounds of Onions, and that the ACS at Phil Kearney shall drop for shrinkage forty two (42) pounds, for the

amount charged to Wells Fargo & Co, one hundred and one (101) pounds,
and for weight of Sacks twenty two & one half (22 1/2) pounds, receipting
to the Invoicing Commissary for the whole amount,

(Signed) J Keyes Hye
1st Lieut 18th Infy ACS
President

(Signed) Geo. S. Hoyt
2nd Lieut 18th Infy
Recorder

(Signed) Will. W. Dougherty
2^d Lieut 18th Infy

Approved

(Signed) J Van Voast
Major 18th Infy
Comd^r

A True Copy
(Signed) E. Tillotson
2^d Lieutenant 2⁷th Inf
Recorder

B Proceedings of a Board of Survey held at Fort Philip Kearney
D.I. December 7th 1867 in accordance with the following order,
Head Quarters Post

Special Orders
No 205

Fort Philip Kearney D.I
December 7th 1867

II A Board of Survey to consist of 1st Lieut Jacob
Paulus 2⁷th Infy, 1st Lieut George H Palmer 2⁷th Inf. & 2^d Lieut Alex
Wishart 2⁷th Inf, is hereby ordered to convene at 10 AM to day,
or as soon thereafter as practicable, to examine and report
upon the quantity & Condition of certain Military Stores and Supplies
which arrived at this Post, and transported by Train No 102
Wells Fargo & Co, Contractors, and in cases of loss, deficiency, or
damage, to investigate the facts, and report the apparent causes,
assess, the amount of loss deficiency or damage, and report
whether the same is attributable to neglect or want of proper

Care on the part of the Contractors, or to causes beyond their Control - also to report upon any delays of said train, in the prosecution of its journey, and whether such delays (if any) arose from causes beyond the Control of the Contractors, The Board will state explicitly the amount on which any wastage or shrinkage may be allowed, and what per Cent of wastage is allowed, and report as otherwise required by Par 1019 R A R 1863, and furnish duplicate copies of its proceedings to these Head Quarters

(Signed) J^r E Smith

Br^t Maj Genl USA Comd^r Post

The Board met pursuant to the above order, Present, All the Members
The Board then proceeded to examine and compare the Public Stores received from Train N^o 102, with the following Bill of Lading

Marks	N ^o	Packages	Contents	Pounds weight
Subsistence Dept	302	Sacks	Potatoes	36591
Fort Phil Kearney	115	"	Onions	10841
Commanding Officer Fort Phil Kearney D ^s	78	Boxes	Ordnance Stores	7595
A Q M	166	Boxes	Q M Stores	36998
Fort Phil Kearney	2	Bales	" "	473
	41	Bundles	Tent Poles	2665
	16	Sacks	Sack	992
	41	Pieces	Oak Plank	6650
	37	"	Poplar lumber	1445
	7	Straw Cutters	Complete	910
	360	Sacks	Corn	145,000

and find that the Stores were received in good order & Condition with the exception of the following.

Deficiency			Deficiency		
Articles	Packages	Drum weight	Articles	Packages	Pounds weight
Potatoes	24 Sacks	5969	Balance Whubs	7/1 Seven	266
Onions	16 do	1439 1/2	Int Sins & Sols	Not Known	Not Known
Corn	57 do	7125	Car Lumber	2 Pieces	382
Canteens	17 Canteens	17	Toplar do	1 do	60
Washkit Straps	14 Fourteen	14	G M Stoves	19 Boxes	3820
Uniform Shirts	1 Pair	1 1/2			

The Board find the deficiency of 24 Sacks of Potatoes weighing 5969 pounds, and 16 Sacks of Onions weighing 1439 1/2 pounds, is to be accounted for as follows: Whole amount of deficiency in Potatoes & Onions 7408 1/2 pounds, Loss by Shrinkage 7 per cent on 36591 pounds Potatoes, say 2566 pounds. Loss by Shrinkage 7 per cent on 10841 pounds Onions, say 758 pounds. Leaving a deficiency ^{Amount of Potatoes & Onions consumed by Soldiers 750} of Potatoes & Onions in pounds 33110 1/2, which in the opinion of the Board were consumed & wasted by the Employees of Wells Fargo & Co, and for which the Contractors, Wells Fargo & Co should be held responsible, The Board further find that the 57 Sacks of Corn deficient as above, 20 Sacks weighing 2280 pounds, are to be charged to Wells Fargo & Co, having been issued to the Wagon Master of the Mule Train, by direction of Major J Van Voast 18th U.S. Inf. and that the remaining 37 Sacks, were lost by the unloading of the Train when attacked near Crazy Woman's Fork D.S., having been eaten in part by the Cattle which were necessarily kept within the Corral for 3 days, and that the Contractors, Wells Fargo & Co should be held responsible for the same, The Board find that when loaded 360 Sacks Corn weighed on an average 125 lbs per Sack, and when received 303 Sacks weighed on an average 114 lbs p. Sack, and putting the 37 Sacks deficient at the latter average, they find that the remaining deficiency of 3859 pounds, is due to shrinkage & wastage on the whole amount (45,000 lbs) on the Bill of Lading.

The Board further find that the deficiency of (17) seventeen Canteens (14) fourteen mess kit Straps, and (1) one pair of Uniform pants, arose from the fact, that when the Packages were taken from the Wagons to make breastworks, they were broken, and notwithstanding the Vigilance of the Wagon Master, the said articles deficient, were stolen, and that the Contractors, Wells Fargo & Co should not, in the opinion of the Board, be held accountable for the same.

The deficiency of in Tent Pins & Poles cannot be accurately ascertained, as there are no Invoices of these Stores at this Post, The Board find that 4236 Tent Pins and 100 Sets Shelter Tent Poles were received, and therefore recommend that 1st Lieut C H Warrens A.A.G.M. receipt to the Invoicing G^r M^r for the same, the deficiency, to be accounted for, by cause, over which the Contractors Wells Fargo & Co, had no control, and for which they should not be held accountable. The Board find that (2) two Pieces of Oak Plank, were taken off the Train at Fort Reno D.D., by Major J. Van Voast 18th US Inf. and are receipted for by him on the duplicate Bill of Lading, now in the G.M. office at this Post, and that (1) one Piece of Poplar Lumber deficient, is to be charged to the Contractors Wells Fargo & Co, The Board further find that (7) Seven Straw Cutters, marked Complete on the Bill of Lading, were received incomplete, the balance wheels of each being deficient, and that (1) one of the Straw Cutters were broken. The Board are of the opinion, that the (7) seven balance wheels for the same, were never loaded, and that the (1) one broken should not be charged to the Contractor, as the breakage occurred in the hurry & confusion of unloading the Train when it was attacked, The Board find a deficiency of (19) Nineteen Boxes of G.M. Stores. weighing 3820 pounds, which they are of ^{the} opinion should be charged to the Contractor, Wells Fargo & Co. The Train consumed fifty two days in completing

its journey, a period not beyond the time allowed by Contract

The Board find that 1st Lieut C H Warrens 27th Inf. a a g m, should receipt to the Invoicing G. M. for all the Stores comprised in the foregoing Bill of Lading, and that he should drop from his Returns all the articles above enumerated as Deficiencies

There being no further business before the Board, it adjourned *Sine die*

(Signed) A Wishart

(Signed) Jacob Paulus

2^d Lieut 27th U.S. Inf. Recorder

1st Lieut 27th U.S. Inf. President

(Signed) George H Palmer

1st Lieut 27th U.S. Inf.

The proceedings of the Board are approved, and as the case requires immediate action the usual copies will be furnished the officers concerned

Signed Jno. E. Smith

8th Dec 1867

Brvt Maj Genl USA

Comd^g Post

Personally appeared before me, Regimental Adjutant 27th U.S. Inf. Post Adjutant, Fort Philip Kearney D.S., William M. Pherson, who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, that he is Wagon Master of Wells Fargo & Coy's Contract Train N^o 102.

That on or about the 15th day of October 1867, he left Julesburg Neb. in charge of said Train, that on or about the 18th day of November 1867, his Train was attacked by Indians, at Wind River, by which attack, he sustained a loss of one hundred and thirty two head of Cattle, and was necessitated to remain there in Corral a period of seven days with a portion of it, untill others were sent from Fort Reno D.S. to bring forward the remainder of the Train, that his Train was again attacked by Indians on the morning of the 1st December 1867, about one mile west of Crazy Womans Fork, and was kept in Corral until

the morning of the 4th Dec^r, when he was relieved & escorted
to Fort Phil Kearney & I by Br^l Major D S Gordon 2^d US Cavalry.
During the time his Train was in Corral, near Crazy Womans Fork, it
was attacked frequently by Indians, compelling him to unload the
greater part of it, in order to enable him to form breastworks of the
Stores it contained, behind which to protect the Men & Cattle, A large
Quantity of the Corn was destroyed in unloading, and much of it
was eaten by the Cattle, which were kept in the Corral during the
whole time, As he had no wood or water and the Rations of the
Soldiers gave out, it became necessary to use a portion of the
Potatoes & Onions, with which one Wagon was loaded, for food, and
also to use a number of Tent Poles and Shelter Tent Poles, for fuel.
That every effort was made to protect the Property contained in
the Wagons, but that in the Confusion, Packages, were unavoidably broken
and that he compelled those whom he knew to had any, to return
the same - That to the best of his Knowledge and belief, the Balance
Wheels of the Straw Cutters, were never loaded, and one Straw Cutter
was broken in unloading the Wagons, when attacked, That Iron Boxes
of Ammunition was opened, by his order, and expended in defending
the Train -

(Signed) William McPherson

Sworn to and subscribed

this 7th day of December 1867

Signed A. H. Bowman

1st Lieut & Post Adjutant

Personally appeared before me, Regimental Adjutant 27th US Inf.
Post Adjutant Fort Philip Kearney D.S. Br^l Major D S Gordon, Cap^t Co K
2^d US Cavalry, who being duly sworn, saith, that he was ordered with his
Company to the relief of Train No 102, Wells Fargo & Co., Wagon Master
William McPherson on the 3^d of December 1867, at Crazy Womans Fork

between Fort Reno and Fort Phil. Kearney D.S. that he found the Train unloaded and the Boxes & Bales used as Breastworks for the protection of Men & Cattle, having seven wounded in charge & no wood, it was necessary for their comfort, to use, for fuel, Tent Poles & Pines, - That Mr. McPherson used his utmost endeavors to preserve the Public Property, and that, in my opinion, nothing was lost, while I acted as escort, through negligence or want of proper care on his part

Sworn & subscribed

(Signed) D S Gordon

this 7th day of December 1867

Capt. 2^d US Cav, & Br. Major USA

(Signed) A. H. Bowman

1st Lieut & Post Adjutant

Personally appeared before me,

Regimental Adjutant 27th US Inf. Post Adjutant. Fort Phil Kearney D.S.

Private John Coleman Co "A" 18th Inf. who being duly sworn, deposes & saith,

that he was a member of the Escort guard to Train N^o 102 from Fort Fetterman to Fort Reno D.S., - consisted of 1 Sergeant 1 Corp^l & 24 Privates of Co "A" 18th US Inf. The day after ~~the~~ the Train was Corralled, ~~the~~ our rations ran out, and we & the Teamsters fed upon Potatoes & Onions during the time we were Corralled at Wind River, and again while we were Corralled at Crazy Woman Fork D.S.

Sworn & subscribed

(Signed) John ^{his} Coleman

this 7th day of December 1867

attest

(Signed) A. H. Bowman

(Signed) A. Wishart

1st Lieut & Post Adjutant,

2^d Lieut 27th US Inf

Personally appeared before me Regimental Adjutant 27th Inf Post Adjutant Fort Phil Kearney D.S., John Eagan, who being sworn, deposes & saith, that he is a Teamster in Train N^o 102, Wells Fargo & Co., that he was with that Train when it was corralled at Wind River D.S. and being left with

very short Rations, the Soldiers & Teamsters forty one men in all,
were compelled to feed upon Potatoes & Onions, all the time they ~~were~~
were there, - And again when they were Corralled at Crazy Woman's
Fork, Before leaving this place, where they were Corralled near
Crazy Woman's Fork, all the Potatoes & Onions remaining in the
Train were Consumed, We were corralled in all, about 10 days
Sworn & subscribed (Signed) John Eagan

this 7th day of December 1864

(Signed) A. H. Bowman

1st Lieut & Post Adjutant

A True Copy

(Signed) E. J. J. J. J.

2^d Lieutenant 27th Inf.

Recorder

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which com-
menced at St Philip
Rearmy D. Dec 14th
1867 pursuant to Special
Order No 211 Head Qrs
St Philip Rearmy D.
dated Dec 17th 1867.

O.P. 135-2011-1860

Headquarters Department of the Platte,

Omaha, Nebraska, January 30th 1868.

the wagon is purely hearsay.
Fourth, there is no apparent
necessity for a board of survey
at Post Phil Kearny at all.
By Command of
Chief Major General August

Levin, Minn
Chief Surg. Col. C. P. Cav.
Acting Inspector General

Respectfully returned disapproved.
There is no apparent necessity
for the immediate action
taken by the Commanding
Officer.

The board so far as it is
called to establish the fact
that forty gallons of whiskey
were actually contained in the
barrel turned over by Surgeon
Horton to Surgeon Prantz is
for an authorized purpose.
All proceedings beyond this
are irregular and void.

Upon the arrival of the
stores at Post C. A. Smith a
discrepancy existed between
invoices and amount received,
it would be a proper case for
a board of survey there. But
how a board of Survey at Post

Phil Kearny could determine
the fact that there was a
deficiency and how much,
and who was responsible,
is not clear. Certainly the
action of the board at Post
Phil Kearny is clearly illegal
in every regard except on the

There is first no proof of
all that any deficiency existed.
Second if it appears from the
order convening the board that
Surg. Prantz had at the time
of receiving the stores given
Surg. Horton receipts for them
according to the invoices.

Third, the testimony as to
the cause of the deficiency
except as to the fact of ma-
guard being placed on

Rec'd Post Feb 25th 1868

Proceedings of a Board of Surry convened at Fort
Philip Kearney D.S. by virtue of the following order,
Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearney D.S.
December 28th 1867.

Special Order
No 215.

A Board of Surry to consist of 1st Lt
Thomas Connolly 27th Inf. 2^d Sicut Florence S. McCarthy
27th Inf and 2^d Sicut G. P. Belden. 2^d Cav. is hereby ord-
ered to convene for the purpose of examining the
amount of damage done to a Musket by Private
Frank Kuhlman, Co B. 27th Inf and assess the amount
of pay to be stopped against him for the said
damage.

The Board will report as otherwise req-
uired by R. A. R. 1868, and furnish duplicate
copies of its proceedings to these Head Quarters.

By Order of
Brig Major General Jno C. Smith
Comdg Post
(Signed) A. H. Bowman
1st Lt and Adjutant
Post Adjutant

The Board met pursuant to above order.
Present - 1st Lt Thomas Connolly 27th Inf.
" 2^d Lt Florence S. McCarthy 27th Inf
Absent - 2^d Lt G. P. Belden - 2^d Cavalry.

The Board proceeded to examine
the condition of the musket, said to have

been damaged by ^{Private} Frank Kuhland Co B, 27th Inf
and find that the stock had been rendered utterly
by useless, owing to a heavily loaded wagon having
passed over it,

The Board is of the opinion that the
accident occurred through the carelessness of said
Private Frank Kuhland and that Ten (10) Dollars
should be stopped against him -

The Board does further recommend that
the Musket be turned in as unserviceable -

There being no further business before the
Board it adjourned, sine die.

(Signed) Florence McCarthy
2nd Lieut 27th Infy
Recorder

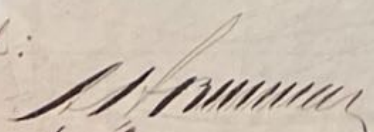
(Signed) Thomas Connolly
1st Lieut 27th Infy
President

The proceedings of the Board are approved and as the case
requires immediate action, the usual copies will be fur-
nished the Officers concerned

Fort Philip Barracks D.C.
January 5th 1863.

(Signed) Jno C. Smith
Colonel 27th Infantry
Bot Major Genl. USA
Comd'g Post

Official:


1st Lieut 27th Infy
Post Adjutant

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which convened
at St Philip Newry
Jan 5th 1868, pursuant
to Special Orders No
215. Act of St Philip
Newry D.I. dated Dec
23rd 1867.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey convened at
Fort Philip Kearney D.S. by virtue of the fol-
-owing order.

Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearney D.S.
Dec 23rd 1867

Special Order
No 315

A Board of Survey to consist of
1st Lieut Thos Connolly 27th Inf. 2nd Lieut
Florence S. McCarthy 27th Inf and 2nd Lieut
G.P. Bekken 2nd Cav. is hereby ordered to
convene for the purpose of examining the
amount of damage done to a musket by Priv
Frank Phaland of "B" 27th Inf. and assess
the amount of pay to be stopped against him
for the said damage.

The Board will report as other-
-wise required by Par 1019 R.A.R. 1863 and
furnish duplicate copies of its proceedings to
these Head Quarters.

By order of
Col Maj Genl Smith
Command Post
(Signed) A.H. Bowman.
1st Lieut and Capt 27th Infy.
Post Adjutant

The Board met pursuant to above order
Present - 1st Lieut Thos Connolly 27th Infy.
" 2nd Lieut F.S. McCarthy 27th Infy.

About 2nd Lt. G. P. Deane 2nd Cavalry.

The Board proceeded to examine the condition of the musket said to have been damaged by Private Frank Rhuland Co. "B" 27th Inf'ty, and found that the stock had been rendered utterly useless, owing to a heavily loaded wagon having passed over it.

The Board is of the opinion that the accident occurred through the carelessness of said Private Frank Rhuland and that ten (10) dollars should be stopped against him.

The Board does further recommend that the musket be turned in as unserviceable. There being no further business before the Board it adjourned sine die.

Honorable S. W. Courty
2nd Lt. 27th Inf'ty
Recorder

H. H. Connelly
1st Lt. 27th Inf'ty
President

The proceedings of the Board are approved, and as the case requires immediate action the usual copies will be furnished the Office concerned.

Fort Philip Kearny D. I.
January 5th 1868

J. W. E. Smith
Col. 27th Infantry
Dist. Major General U. S. A.
Com^d Post.

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Proceedings of a Board of
Survey which convened
at Ft. Philip Kearny D.T.
Jan 5th 1868. pursuant
to Special Order No 215
dated Feb 23rd 1867.

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Proceedings of a Board of Survey convened at Fort
Philip Kearney S.T. by virtue of the following order.
Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearney S.T.
Dec 23rd 1867

Special Orders
No 215

A Board of Survey to consist of 1st
Lieut Tho^s Connolly 27th Infy, 2nd
Lieut Florence L. W. Carthy 27th Infy and
2nd Lieut G. P. Belden 2nd Cavalry is hereby
ordered to convene for the purpose of examining
the amount of damage done to a musket by
Private Frank Rhuland Co^s B 27th Infy
and assess the amount of pay to be stopped
against him for the said damage.

The Board will report as other-
wise required by R. & R. 1863 and furnish
duplicate copies of its proceedings to these
Head Quarters.

By Order of
Col Maj Genl Smith
Comdg Post

(signed)

A. H. Bowman
1st Lieut and adjt 27th Inf
Post Adjutant

The Board met pursuant to above order.
Present 1st Lieut Tho^s Connolly 27th Infy
" 2nd " F. L. W. Carthy 27th Infy
Absent " " G. P. Belden 2nd Cavalry

The Board proceeded to examine the condition of the musket said to have been damaged by Private Frank Rhuland of Bth 27th Inf. and found that the stock had been rendered entirely useless, owing to a heavily loaded wagon having passed over it.

The Board is of the opinion that the accident occurred through the carelessness of said Private Frank Rhuland and that ten (\$10) dollars should be stopped against him.

The Board does further recommend that the musket be turned in as unserviceable.

There being no further business before the Board it adjourned sine die.

Florence S. McCarthy
2nd Lieut 27th Inf
Recorder.

Geo. Connolly
1st Lieut 27th Inf
President

The proceedings of the Board are approved, and as the case requires immediate action the usual copies will be furnished the Officers concerned.

Fort Philip Kearny, D. C.
January 5th 1868

Geo E Smith
Colonel 27th Infantry
Det. Major General U.S.A.
Comd'g Post

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Proceedings of a Board of
Survey & Field, convened
at Ft. Philip Kearny D.V.
Jan 5th 1868, pursuant
to Special Order No 315
dated Feb 23rd 1867

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Proceedings of a Board of Survey, which occurred pursuant to
the following order:-

Head Quarters Fort Fort Phillip, Jamaica, I. S.

January 8th 1868.

Special Order }
No. 2. }

II. A Board of Survey to consist of Capt
E. D. Thompson. 24th Inf. - 1st Lieut. Seth Romney. 24th Inf.
and 2nd Lieut. Geo. S. Belden 2nd Cav. is hereby ordered
to convene at 10 o'clock A.M. tomorrow, or as soon there-
after as practicable for the purpose of fixing the price at which
a certain lot of bleaching (for which 1st Lieut. G. W. Mansel.
R. Q. M. 24th Inf. & S. A. M. U.S.A. is responsible) shall
be issued.

The Board will report as aforesaid provided by
Par. 1019, R. S. R. 1863, and furnish duplicate copies of its
proceedings to the Head Quarters.

By Order of

Brigadier Major Gen. J. E. Smith.

Commanding Post.

H. W. Bauman.

Signed -

1st Lieut. (2^d) Adjutant 24th Infantry
Post Adjutant,

The Board met pursuant to above order, at 10. A.M. Jan. 9th 68.
all members present, and proceeded to examine into the con-
dition of and assess the amount at which certain bleaching
in Q.M. Storehouse, shall be issued, and find as follows:-

Articles.	Condition	Action of the Board.
10 Cavalry Great Coats	All nice and moth-eaten.	To be issued at 25 per cent. of their original cost when new.
23 Infantry Great Coats		
20 Infantry Dress Coats		
3 Infantry Dress Coat. (Mus.)		
7 Trousers. Infantry		
4 Blouses. (unlined)		
3 Blouses. (lined)		
1 Gray Flannel Shirt		
2 Stockings. (Pair)		

The Board having no further business is adjourned

at nine o'clock.

E. A. Amerson
 Captain 27th U. S. Infantry.
 President of Board.

Rich. Brown
 1st Lieut. 27th U. S. Infantry.
 Member of Board.

Geo. P. Belcher.
 2nd Lieut. 2nd U. S. Cav.
 Recorder.

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Company Officer

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which con-
vened at Ft Phil Kearny
D.C. January 10th 1868, pur-
suant to Special Order
No 3 Hd Qrs Ft Phil
Kearny D.C. dated Jan
8th 1868.

U. S. A. I. G. O., D. P., V. 1868

Headquarters Department of the Platte,
Omaha, Neb. Feb. 15. 1868

Approved:
BY COMMAND OF BREVET MAJOR GENERAL AUGUR.

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Brevet Lieutenant Colonel,
Acting Assistant Inspector General.

January 10th 1868

The proceedings of the Board are approved; and the usual
copies will be furnished the Officer responsible; the case
requiring immediate action.

Geo E. Smith
Capt of Regt Caval. U.S.A.
Company 1st Regt

Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened at Ft Phil Kearny D.C. January 10th 1868, pursuant to Special Order No 3 Hd Qrs Ft Phil Kearny D.C. dated Jan 8th 1868.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened, pursuant to the following order,

Head Quarters Post Fort Phillips Kearney D.S.

January 8th 1868

Special Order
No. 2

1. A Board of Survey to consist of Capt E. F. Thompson, 27th Inf. 1st Lieut Seth Bonney 27th Inf. and 2nd Lieut Geo. P. Belden 2nd Cav. is hereby ordered to convene at 10 O'clock AM tomorrow or as soon thereafter as practicable for the purpose of fixing the price at which a certain lot of clothing (for which 1st Lieut G. H. Warrens RQM 27th Inf. A.A.M. U.S.A. is responsible) shall be issued.

The Board will report as otherwise prescribed by Par 1019 R. & L. 1865 and furnish duplicate copies of its proceedings to these Head Quarters.

By order of

Brevet Major Genl John C. Smith
Commanding Post

(Signed)

A. H. Bonman

1st Lieut & Adjutant 27th Infantry
Post Adjutant

The Board met pursuant to above order at 10 AM Jan 9. 68. All members present, and proceeded to examine into the condition of, and assess the amount at which certain clothing in QM Store house, shall be issued. and find as follows: —

Articles	Condition	Action of the Board
10 Cavalry Great Coats 23 Infantry Great Coats 20 Infantry Dress Coats 3 Infantry Dress Coats (Mags) 7 Trowsers, Infantry 4 Blouses (unlined) 3 Blouses (lined) 1 Gray Flannel Shirt 2 Stocking Pairs	All new and well-kept	To be issued at 25% per cent. of their original cost when new.

The Board having no further business before it, adjourned sine die

(Signed)
 Seth Bonney
 1st Lieut 27th U.S. Infantry
 Member of Board

(Signed) C. J. Thompson
 Captain 27th ^{U.S.} Infantry
 President of Board
 (Signed) Geo. P. Beldon
 2nd Lieut 2nd U.S. Cav.
 Recorder

The proceedings of the Board are approved; and the usual copies will be furnished the Officers responsible, the case requiring immediate action.

(Signed) J. E. Smith
 Br. Major Genl U.S.A.
 Comd^g Post

January 10th 1868

Official

 1st Lieut & Adjutant 27th Inf.
 Post Adjutant

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey, which commenced
at St. Philip Kearny Dist.
January 10th 1868 pursuant
to Special Order No 2
Road for St. Philip -
Kearny Dist. dated
Jan'y 8th 1868.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened at Fort
Philip Kearny D.C. pursuant to the following Order

Head Quarters Post

Fort Philip Kearny D.C.

January 29th 1868

Special Order

No. 11.

1. A Board of Survey to consist of 1st Lieut. E. L.
McCauley 2^d Infantry, 1st Lieut. F. L. McCarthy 2^d Infan-
try, and 2^d Lieut. W. M. Stephenson 2^d Infantry, is hereby
ordered to convene at 11 o'clock A.M. tomorrow or as soon
thereafter as practicable, for the purpose of assessing the
price at which a certain lot of damaged clothing, for
which 1st Lieut. C. H. Warren R. M. 2^d Infantry
A. A. 2^d U.S. is responsible, shall be issued.

The Board will report as otherwise required
by Par. 1019 R. A. R. 1863 and furnish duplicate copies of
its proceedings to these Head Quarters.

By Order of

Col. Major Genl. J. E. Smith
Comdg. Post

(Signed)

A. H. Bowman

1st Lieut. and Adjt. 2^d Infantry
Post Adjutant

The Board met pursuant to the foregoing Order
present all the Members.

The Board then proceeded to examine the condition of the following articles of Clothing, Camp and Garrison Equipage

One (1) Hat Unissued. Five (5) Cap covers. Thirty nine (39) Fringe Caps. Twenty three (23) Trousers. Two (2) Flannel Sack Coats. Lined. Ten (10) Flannel Shirts. Four (4) Pairs Boots Cavalry. Thirty eight (38) Stockings. One (1) Gait Coat Infantry. Eight (8) Penciles. One (1) Rubber Blanket. Seventy four (74) Woollen Blankets. Four (4) pairs of Trousers Cavalry. Fifty one (51) Double Bed Sacks. Seven (7) Gait Coats Cavalry. Four (4) Uniform Coats Infantry.

The Board finds the whole of the property damaged by Mice, Weevils, and in transportation, and recommend that they be sold at Twenty five (25) per cent of their original value.

The Board is further of opinion that no responsibility for the damaged condition of the said articles can attach to 1st Lieut Charles N. Harlow R. B. M. 2^d Infantry A. A. 2^d M. U. S. Army, all due care having been exercised in their storage at this Post.

There being no further business before it the Board Adjourned - *Sine die*

C. S. McCullay Florence Lowell *Secretary*
1st Lieut 2^d U. S. Inf. 1st Lieut 2^d U. S. Inf.
President *J. B. [Signature]*
2^d Lieut 2^d U. S. Inf. Recorder

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Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which convened
at Fort Phil Kearny D.
Feb 1st 1868 pursuant to
Special Order K. H. Mc
Gre. Ft. Phil Kearny D.
dated Jan 21st 1868

B. S. ... A. L. G. O., D. P., V. ... 1868

Headquarters Department of the Platte,
Omaha, Neb. March 5. 1868

Approved:
By Command of Brevet Major General Augur.

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Brevet Lieutenant Colonel,
Acting Assistant Inspector General.

Recd. March 21 1868

The proceedings of the Board are approved, and the same
require immediate action; the usual report will be
furnished the responsible Officer.

January 14 1868

John W. Smith
Bvt. Major General, USA
Chief of Staff

Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened at Fort
Philip Kearney D. T. pursuant to the following Order.

Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearney D. T.
January 29th 1868

Special Orders
No. 111.

A Board of Survey to consist of 1st Lieut. C. I.
McCullay 2^d Inf 1st Lieut. F. L. McCarthy 2^d Inf
Inf 2^d Lieut. H. Stephenson 2^d Inf is hereby ordered
to convene at 11 o'clock A. M. tomorrow or as soon
thereafter as practicable, for the purpose of assessing
the price at which a certain lot of damaged clothing
for which 1st Lieut. C. A. Harris R. Q. M. 2^d Inf S. I.
Q. M. u. s. is responsible, shall be issued.

The Board will report as otherwise required by
Par 1019, Act of 1863, and furnish duplicate ~~presenting~~ copies of its
proceedings to these Head Quarters.

By Order of

Br. Major Genl. Jno. C. Smith.

Comdr. Post

(Signed) A. N. Bowman
1st Lieut. and Adj. 2^d Infantry
Post Adjutant.

The Board met pursuant to the above order.
Present: all the members

The Board then proceeded to examine the condition of the following articles of Clothing Camp and Garrison Equipage

One (1) Hat Untrimmed. Five (5) Cap Covers. Thirty nine (39) Forage Caps. Twenty three (23) Trowsers. Two (2) Blank Sack coats lined. Ten (10) Blank Shirts. Four (4) pairs of Boots Cavalry. Thirty Eight (38) Stockings. One (1) Great Coat Infantry. Eight (8) Ponchos. One (1) Rubber Blanket. Seventy four (74) Woolen Blankets. Four (4) Pairs of Trowsers Cavalry. Fifty One (51) Double Bedsacks. Seven Great Coats Cavalry. Four Uniform Coats Infantry.

The Board find the whole of the property damaged by Moths, Mice, and in Transportation. and recommend that they be sold at Twenty five (25) per cent of their original value.

The Board is further of opinion that no responsibility for the damaged condition of the said articles can attach to ^{1st} Lieut. C. S. Warren R. G. M. 2nd Regt. A. A. Q. M. Army. all due care having been exercised in the storage at this Post.

There being no further business before it the Board Adjourned Sine Die.

(Signed) C. S. M. Caulbay
1st Lieut 2nd Regt W. S. Inf
President.

(Signed) Forester. S. M. Carthy
1st Lieut 2nd Regt Infantry

(Signed) Wm Stephenson
2nd Lieut 2nd Regt W. S. Inf
Recorder.

Stephenson

The proceedings of the Board are Approved and the
case requiring immediate action the usual copies will
be furnished the responsible Officer

February 1st 1868.

(Signed)

Jno. E. Smith
Brig. Major Genl. USA
Comd'g Post

A. True Copy

W. W. W. W.

1st Lieut and Adj't 2nd Inf

Post Adjutant

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey, which convened
at Ft. Philip Kearny D.C.
Feb 1st 1868 pursuant to
Special Orders No. 11
Hd Qrs Ft. Phil Kearny
D.C. dated Jan 29th 1868

Proceedings of a Board of Survey held at Fort Philip Kearny D.C.
in obedience to the following Order.

Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearny D.C.
February 4th 1868.

Special Order
No. 12.

Extract.

11 A Board of Survey to consist of Col. Major N. B. Freeman
Capt. 27th Inf, 1st Lieut. Geo. H. Palmer 27th Inf, and Sr. Capt. Alex.
Richard 1st Lieut. 27th Inf is hereby ordered to convene at 1 o'clock
P.M. today or as soon thereafter as practicable for the purpose
of verifying the amount of Subsistence Stores received from
Fort Fetterman D.C. invoiced by Sr. Lieut. Col. J. N. Barriger
to the A. C. C. at this Post.

The Board will fix the responsibility for any
deficiency and report as otherwise ordered by Par. 1019. Reg. R
1863. and furnish duplicate copies of its proceedings to these Head
Quarters.

By Order of
Brigadier Major Genl. Jno. E. Smith.
Comd'g Post.
(Signed) A. N. Bowman.
1st Lieut. and Adjt. 27th Inf
Post Adjutant

The Board met pursuant to the above Order.
Present: All the members.

Upon comparing the Subsistence Stores received at this
Post with the Invoice of Sr. Lieut. Col. J. N. Barriger, and the

Bill of Lading of the A. O. D. at Fort Tetterman D.C. the Board find the following deficiencies:

- 6 Boxes Lard
- 45 lbs Hops
- 1 Sack Coffee
- 18 lbs White Sugar.

The Board find that 6 Boxes Lard and 1 Sack of Coffee were not shipped from Fort Tetterman, and that the responsibility for these deficiencies rests with the A. O. D. at that Post, and that the deficiency in Sugar and Hops arise from Passage.

The Board is of the opinion that the Stores received at this Post were not the same as those shipped from Omaha, as it is evident from some of the Boxes being marked Fort Tetterman D.C. and others Fort Philip Kearney D.C. and that they must have been exchanged at the former Post.

The Board find that the A. O. D. at this Post should receipt to 1st Lieut Col. J. K. Baringer for all the articles contained in the Invoice, except the foregoing deficiencies.

(Signed) W. P. Freeman,
Capt 27th Inf and Fort. Major. U.S.A.
President

(Signed) George H. Palmer
1st Lieut 27th Inf.

(Signed) A. W. Shaw
1st Lieut and Fort Capt. U.S.A.
Recorder

The proceedings of the Board are Approved:

(Signed) Geo. C. Smith,
1st Major and Sub U.S.A.
Comd of Post

A. True Copy
1st Lieut and Fort Capt. U.S.A.
Post Adjutant

Proceedings of a Board of Survey convened at Fort Philip Kearny D.I. in obedience to the following instructions

Head Quarters Department of the Platte
Omaha Nebraska February 5th 1868

Respectfully returned to the commanding Officer Fort Philip Kearny D.I. with the affidavit of C. A. Hall touching some matters connected with losses charged against the carriers,

The Board will be re-assembled and report explicitly upon the following points, giving such credence to the affidavit of the Wagon Master as they may think it deserves. He is reported to be a truthful man

Whether so far as can be known the box and bale referred to were delivered by the contractors in "like good order & condition" as when received by them for transportation, whether the deficiencies were such and the appearance of the packages such as would make it probable that the loss occurred in the hands of the carriers, whether the boards are of opinion from all the evidence & circumstances including the appearance of the packages when delivered, that the loss did occur while the goods were in the hands of the Contractors.

The Board will bear in mind that the public carriers are responsible for contents of packages, only when the packages are lost or damaged through their neglect, or when the packages have been opened & contents abstracted while in the hands of the carriers. The carriers only contract to deliver packages in "like good order and condition" as when they received them

By Command of

Brevet Major General Auger

(Signed) Lewis Merrill

Br^l Lieut Col^l Captain 2^d Cav.

Acting Inspector General

Head Quarters Post. Fort Philip Kearny D.I. March 9th 1868

Respectfully returned to Lieut Paulus Pres^d Board of Survey, who will comply with the foregoing endorsement

By order of Br^l Major Genl J^r E. Smith

Signed A. H. Bowman

1st Lieut and Adjutant 2^d Inf^{ty}
Post Adjutant

The Board convened by S.O. N^o 188 Fort Philip Kearny D.D. November 7th 1867

Was re-assembled in accordance with the above instructions, Present, 1st Lieut Jacob Paulus 27th U.S. Infy
1st Lieut Thomas Connolly 27th U.S. Infy. Br. Capt. U.S.A.

The Board then proceeded to a re-examination of the witnesses, and a review of all the facts bearing on the case.

John Oswald, Citizen Ass^t Storekeeper at Fort Philip Kearny D.D. being called stated as follows

I was present when the packages in question were delivered at the Storehouse, The two boxes which contained the Stockings had the appearance of having been previously opened, I examined them and found the boards loose and badly nailed down, I pointed this out to McNewell then in charge of Shops & Warehouses who ordered me to lay the boxes by, to await action of Board of Survey.

The two (2) Bales containing the Pantalons had the appearance of being previously opened & some of the contents abstracted. They very evidently re-sewed, and in a bungling manner. Those parts of the Bales which had been previously opened had lost the shape presented by similar portions of the same Bales, having a peculiar bag-like feel and look which at once excited suspicion. They were in consequence laid aside to await the action of a Board of Survey.

The Boxes and Bales in question were opened & the contents examined in presence of the Board of Survey, in the two Bales containing Pantalons a deficiency of Seventy seven (77) pairs was found, and gunny bags inserted to restore weight and shape of Bales.

In the two Boxes containing Socks a deficiency of two hundred and forty one (241) pairs was found. The Board having read the affidavit of M^r. E. A. Hall, Wagon Master of Train N^o 93 discovered a fatal inaccuracy therein. In speaking of the Stores in question M^r. Hall says: "A portion of which consisted of a Bale said to contain Pantalons and a Box said to contain Socks, That said Bale and Box were never opened or anything taken from them while in his charge or possession, and that he delivered the same at Fort Philip Kearny in apparent good order, and in the same order, and with the same contents that they had when loaded on said Train at Julesburg.

Now the Stores in question, and the deficiency were found in two bales and in two boxes, as will be found by reference to a former board of Survey herewith appended.

The Board is somewhat surprised to hear that a Wagon Master, having that amount of sagacity which men in his position are supposed to possess, would receive packages as in apparent good order & condition which had the aspect those packages presented, on their delivery at this Post.

He further states that he delivered the same at Fort Phil Kearny in apparent good order

The Board examined the packages, shortly after their delivery at this Post, and found them in bad condition, in fact a glance showed plainly that they had been previously opened

The Board are therefore of opinion

1st That the packages in question were not delivered by the carriers in the same order and condition as when received by them for transportation

2nd That the loss did occur while the packages were in the hands of the Contractors

The Board are mindful of the fact, that the carriers only contract to deliver packages in "like good order and condition" as when they receive them

The Board having maturely considered all the facts & statements made touching the case in question, find that the Contractors, Wells Fargo & Co, or their agents should be held responsible for the loss and deficiency of:

Two hundred & forty one (241) pairs of Socks weight 3¹/₂ lbs

Seventy seven (77) pairs of Pantaloon's " 9¹/₂ lbs

The Board having no further business before it adjourned Sine die

(Signed) Jacob Paulus

1st Lieut 2nd Inf. President

(Signed) Tho^s Connolly

1st Lieut 2nd U.S. Infy

Br^g Capt USA Recorder

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which con-
vened at Fort Philip -
Regiment Det. Feb'y 8th 1868
Health of Fort Philip Navy
Det. dated Feb'y 8th 1868.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey, convened, at Fort Philip Kearny D. T.
in obedience to the following instructions.

Head, Quarters Department of the Platte
Omaha Nebraska February 8. 1888

Respectfully returned to the commanding Officer Fort Phil. Kearny D. T.
with the affidavit of C. S. Hall touching some matters connected
with losses charged against the carriers.

The Board will be reassembled, and report, explicitly upon the
following points, giving such credence to the affidavit of the Wagon
Master, as they may think it deserves. He is reported to be a truthful man.

Whether so far as can be known the box and bale referred to were
delivered by the contractors, in "like good order and condition" as when
received by them for transportation. Whether the deficiencies were
such, and the appearance of the packages such as would make it
probable that the loss occurred, in the hands of the carriers. Whether
the board are of opinion from all the evidence, and circumstances, includ-
ing the appearance of the packages when delivered, that the loss did occur
while the goods were, in the hands of the contractors.

The board will bear in mind, that the public carriers, are responsible
for contents of packages, only when the packages are lost or damaged thro-
ugh their neglect, or when the packages have been opened, and contents
abstracted, while in the hands of the carriers. The carriers only contract to
deliver packages in "like good order and condition", as when they received them.

By Command of
Brigadier General Hugh
(Signed) Lewis Merrill
Lieut. Col. Captain 2^d Cav.
Acting Inspector General

Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearny D. S.
March 9th 1868

Respectfully returned to Lieut Paulus Pres.th Board of Survey who
will, comply with the foregoing endorsement.

By order of

Bot. Major Genl. Geo. E. Smith
(Signed) A. C. Bowman

1st Lieut and Adjutant 27th Inf.
Post Adjutant

The Board, convened by special Order No^o 188 Fort Philip Kearny D. S.
November 7th 1867.

Was reassembled, in accordance with the above instructions, present
1st Lieut Jacob Paulus 27th U.S. Inf.

1st Lieut Thomas Connolly 27th U.S. Inf. Bot. Capt. v. s. a.

The Board then proceeded to a re-examination of the Witnesses
and, a review of all the facts bearing on the case.

John Oswald Citizen, Assistant Store Keeper at Fort Philip
Kearny D. S. being called stated, as follows:-

I was present when the packages in question were delivered, at the
Store house. The two boxes, which contained the stockings had the
appearance of having been previously opened & examined them and
found the boards loose, and badly nailed down I printed this
out to Mr Russell then in charge of shops and warehouses who ord-
ered me to lay the boxes by, to await action of Board of Survey.

The two (2) Bales containing the pantaloons had the appear-
ance of being previously opened, and some of the contents abstracted.

They very evidently had been so, and, in a bungling manner those parts of the Bales, which had been previously opened had lost the shape presented by similar portions of the same Bales having a peculiar bag-like feel and look, which, at once, excited suspicion. They were, in consequence laid aside to await the action of a Board of Survey.

The Boxes and Bales in question were opened and the contents examined, in presence of the Board of Survey. In the two Bales, containing Pantaloon's, a deficiency of seventy seven (77) pairs was found, and gunny bags, inserted to restore weight and shape of Bales.

In the two Boxes, containing Socks a deficiency of two hundred and forty one (241) pairs was found.

The Board having read the affidavit of Mr E. A. Hall Wagon Master of Train No 93 discovered a fatal inaccuracy therein. In speaking of the Stores in question Mr Hall says - "A portion of which consisted, of a Bale said to contain Pantaloon's and a Box said to contain Socks. That said Bale and Box were never opened, nor any thing taken from them while in his charge or possession, and that he delivered the same at Fort Phil Kearney in apparent good order, and in the same order and with the same contents that they had when loaded on said Train at Julesburg."

Now the Stores in question, and the deficiency were found in two Bales and in two Boxes, as will be found by reference to a former Board of Survey herewith appended.

The Board is somewhat surprised to hear that a Wagon Master having that amount of sagacity, which men in his position are supposed to possess, would receive packages as in apparent good order and condition which had the aspect those packages presented on their delivery at this post.

He further states that he delivered the same at Fort Mill. Henry
in apparent good order.

The Board examined the packages shortly after their delivery at this
Post, and found them in bad condition, in fact, a glance showed
plainly that they had been previously opened.

The Board are therefore of opinion.

1st That the packages in question were not delivered by the carriers
in the same order and condition as when received by them for
transportation.

2nd That the loss did occur while the packages were in the hands
of the contractors.

The Board are mindful of the fact that the carriers only
contract to deliver packages in "like good order and condition"
as when they receive them.

The Board having maturely considered all the facts and
statements made touching the case in question, find that the
contractors, Wells Fargo & Co, or their Agents should be held
responsible for the loss and deficiency of:-

Two hundred, and forty one (241) pairs of socks weight 37 lbs.

Seventy seven (77) pairs of pantaloons weight 97 lbs.

The Board having no further business before it, adjourned Sine die

Jacob Paulus
1st Lieut - 27th Inf.
President -

J. H. Kennedy
1st Lieut 27th U.S. Inf.
Bvt. Capt. 11th A.
Recruit -

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which con-
vened at Ft. Phil Kearny
D.D. November 4th 1867. In ac-
cording to Special Order
No. 188. At Ft. Phil
Kearny D.D. dated Nov
4th 1867.

B. S. A. I. G. O., D. P., V. 1868

Headquarters Department of the Platte,

Omaha, Neb., April 11th 1868

Approved:

BY COMMAND OF BREVET MAJOR GENERAL AUGUR.

Levin Merrin

Brevet Lieutenant Colonel,
Acting Assistant Inspector General.

Attest: A. O. S. Phil Kearny D.D.
April 20th 1868.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey convened
at Fort Philip Kearny D.C. Feby 26th
1868, in pursuance of the following order;
Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearny D.C.
February 25th 1868

Special Order 3
No. 20

Extract

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A Board of Survey to consist of
Capt. Major D. S. Gordon Capt 2nd Cavalry,
Bvt. Captain Thos. Cunnally 27th Infantry
and 2nd Lieut. John N. Coale 27th Inf.
is hereby ordered to convene at 4 O'Clock
P.M. this day or as soon thereafter as practi-
cable to examine and report upon the Quan-
tity and Condition of certain Military
Stores and Supplies arriving at this Post
by Government train. In case of loss
deficiency or damage, the Board will
fix the responsibility, and report as

return required by Tar. 1019 R.A.R. 1863
and furnish duplicate copies of its proceedings
to these Head Quarters.

By order of
 Col. Maj. Gen. John E. Smith
 Comd. Post
 (Sgt) A. H. Pearson 1st Lt. Wash
 27th Inf. Regt.
 Post Adj. G.

The Board met pursuant to the foregoing order,
 present all the members.

The Board then proceeded to examine the quantity
 and condition of the Military Stores and Supplies
 delivered at this Post by Government Train
 furnished at Fort Reno, D.C. by Lieutenant
 Still. H. Dougherty 18th Inf. A.A. 2nd Regt. and find
 them as follows:

As per Bill Lading			Description of Property Actually Received			Deficiency			Remarks
No.	Qty.	Contents	No.	Qty.	Contents	No.	Qty.	Contents	
59	Box	Med. Supplies	59	Box	Med. Supplies	21	Bottle	Whiskey	1 Box entirely empty & 1 Box containing only three bottles
3	Bbls	do	3	Bbls	do				
1	Trunk	Hospital Store	1	Trunk	Hospital Store				
12	Chairs		12	Chairs					Broken & rendered unserviceable one chair broken & unserviceable
1	Box	Ord. Stores	1	Box	Ord. Stores				
1		Med. Chest	1		Med. Chest				

The evidence adduced before the Board shows
 that two Boxes of Medical Supplies were broken
 open by the guard of the train at or near "Crazy
 Woman's Fork" on or about the 2nd of February
 1868, and that twenty one (21) bottles of Whiskey
 were stolen therefrom; and that Privates Clarke
 and O'Grady of Company E. 18th Infantry and
 Private Courcy of Company A. 18th Infantry were
 guilty of the theft. The Board are also of the
 opinion that the Hospital Store, and Chair
 were broken, and rendered unserviceable by
 unavoidable accident of transportation, and
 the Board furthermore exonerate Lt. Still. H.
 Dougherty 18th Inf. A.A. 2nd Regt. U.S.A. and Lt. G. H.
 Warrens R. D. 27th Infantry from all blame.

The Board having no further
 business, adjourned sine die.

D. J. Gordon
 Capt 2nd Cav. Post Adj. G. Board

John A. Coale
 2nd Lt. 27th Inf.
 Recorder

Wm. Lewis 27th U.S. Inf.
 1st Lt. Capt. 27th

Approved
Thos. C. Smith
1st Lieut. Major Genl. U.S.A.
Comd'g. Post

Proceedings of a Board of
Survey which convened
at Ft. Shio Rayney D.T.
Oct 25th, 1868 pursuant to
Special Order No 20 H.R.
Genl. Ft. Shio Rayney D.T.
Dated Oct 25th, 1868

P. O. 1540 5000 1868

Head Quarters Department of the Platte,

Omaha, Nebraska, March 27 1868

Respectfully returned. A. S. Ford.

The box of Whiskey will be
charged against the private
soldiers named by the board.

By Command of
Col. Major General Augustus
Kearney

Asst. Surg. Col. Capt. J. C. Co.
Acting Inspector General.

copy with endorsement given
Dept. of the Platte furnished Comd'g. Officer
18th Cavalry. April 30th 1868

With request that it be charged
against the witnesses in con-
-pliance with the endorsement referred
to above

Asst. Surg. April 25th 1868.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey convened at Fort Philip
Kearny N.J. Feb'y 26-1868, in pursuance of the following Order -
Head Quarters Post

Fort Philip Kearny N.J.

February 26th 1868

Special Order
No 20

Extract

III A Board of Survey to consist of 1st Lt Maj L.S. Gordon Capt
2^d Cav. 1st Lt Capt Thomas Connelly 27th Inf and 2^d Supt Geo K. Coale
27th Inf is hereby ordered to convene at 4 o'clock AM this day
or as soon thereafter as practicable to examine and report upon the
Quantity and Condition of Certain Military Stores and Supplies arrived
at this Post by Government Train. In case of loss deficiency or
damage the Board will fix the responsibility and report as otherwise
required by Par 1019, R. A. R. 1863, and furnish duplicate copies
of its proceedings to these Head Quarters.

By Order of

1st Lt Major Genl Geo E. Smith
Comdg Post

1st Supt A. H. Bowman

1st Supt and Adj't 27th Inf
Post Adjutant

(over)

The Board met pursuant to the foregoing Order.

Present all the Members.

The Board then proceeded to examine the quantity and condition of the military stores and supplies delivered at this Post by Government Team furnished at Fort Reno D.S. by Lieut. Will H. Dougherty, 18th Inf. A.C.M. and find them as follows.

As per Bill of Lading		Description of Property		Actually received		Deficiency		Remarks	
No	Package	Contents	No	Package	Contents	No	Package	Contents	
59	Box	Med Supplies	59	Box	Med Supplies	21	Bottles	Whisky	On Box entirely empty on Bill of Lading only three bottles
3	Btls	do	3	Btls	do				
1		Furnace Heater	1		Furnace Heater				
1		Hospital Store	1		Hospital Store				Broken and rendered unusable
12		Chairs	12		Chairs				On Chair broken and unusable
1	Box	Ord Stores	1	Box	Ord Stores				
1	'	Med Chest	1		Med Chest				

The evidence adduced before the Board shows that two (2) Boxes of Medical Supplies were broken open by the guard of the Team at or near "Crazy Woman's" fork on or about the 23rd of February 1868, and that twenty one (21) Bottles of Whisky were stolen therefrom; and that Privates Clarke & O'Brady of Co E 18th Inf. and Private Conroy of Co A 18th Inf were guilty of the theft.

The Board are also of the opinion that the Hospital Store and Chair were broken and rendered unusable by unavoidable accident of transportation and the Board furthermore exonerate Lt Will H. Dougherty 18th Inf. A.C.M. USA and Lieut C. H. Warren, 29th M. Inf from all blame.

The Board having no further business adjourned sine die.

Signed: D. S. Gordon
Capt 23 Bar. 1st Maj USA
President Board

Signed: Thomas Connolly
1st Lt 27th Inf 1st Lt USA

Signed: Jno H. Coale
1st Lieut 27th Inf
Recorder

Approved:
Signed: Jno J. Smith
1st Major Genl USA
Comd Post

Official:

1st Lt 27th Inf
Post Adjutant

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which con-
vened at St Philip -
Kearny D. I. Feby 5th 1868
H. C. G. St Philip Kearny
D. I. dated Feby 5th 1868

Proceedings of a Board of Survey reconvened at Fort
Philip Kearny D.S. on the 24th day of March 1868. as required
by endorsement dated Head Quarters Dept of the Platte, Omaha
Nebraska. January 20th 1868. as follows.

"Respectfully returned for the further consideration of the Board
of Survey"

By Command of

Brig Major Genl August

Signo, Lewis Merrill

Brig Lt Col Capt S Cavalry

Acting Asst Inspector General

The Board met in compliance with the above order -

Present. Brig Major D.S. Gordon, Capt S Cav -

" Capt C.F. Thompson, 27th Infy -

" 1st Lieut Seth Bonney, 27th Infy -

The Board then proceeded to examine the Bills
of Lading and find that the Stores, a part of which
were Hand Axes were shipped by Brig Lt Col R.A.
Bachelder, Depot Q.M. U.S.A. to Brig Lt Col C.M. Thomas
Q.M. U.S.A. and that they were received by him and
reshipped to Brig Genl Wm Myers Q.M. U.S.A.
who acknowledges the receipt of them from Steamer
Montana, and who states in his endorsement that

all the packages received by him were shipped
from Omaha.

The missing stores, namely, 26, Forty six
Lans. Aus. were not received by 1st Brig General
G. B. Dandy, A. S. M. U. S. A. nor absent from the
Post of Fort Philip Kearny D. T. nor have they
been received by 1st Lieut C. H. Harrows A. S. M.
at Fort Philip Kearny D. T. and the Board is
unable to determine whether they were lost or
stolen ^{while} in transit from Omaha Nebraska by
Rail, or whether they were lost or stolen at
Julesburg D. T. and the Board have not, nor
can they obtain evidence that the missing stores
were ever shipped from Julesburg for
Fort Philip Kearny D. T.

The Board having no further business
before it adjourns, sine die.

(Sign) D. S. Gordon
Brig Major U. S. A.
Capt 2nd Cav

(Sign) E. F. Thompson
Capt 27th Inf

(Sign) Seth Borning
1st Lieut 7th Light
Recorder

Approved.

(Sign) John C. Smith
Brig Maj Genl U. S. A.
Commanding Genl

Official:

1st Lieut 4th Adj 27th Inf
Post Adjutant

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which con-
vened at St Philip
Kearny D. I. March 4th
1868. Head Quarters St Phil
Kearny D. I. dated
July 20th 1868



Proceedings of a Board of Survey, which
 convened at Fort Smith, Army S. T. pursuant to the following
 order.

Fort Smith Post.
 Fort Smith, Army S. T.
 June 14th 1865.

Special Order,
 No. 24

A Board of Survey to consist of Col
 Henry D. S. Gordon, Captain Wm. C. Cook, Capt. George
 W. S. Spurr, Captains 2^d Lt. W. S. Saff and 2^d Lt
 Wm. Stephenson, 2^d Lt Saff, is hereby ordered to convene
 at which upon the duty, or as soon thereafter
 as practicable to examine any and all property
 quantity of fresh beef for which 1st Lt. C. S.
 Wanner of the 2^d Regt. A. C. S. is responsible, and report
 as per fit for issue.

By order of Col. Saff, Fort S. T. C. Smith
 Camp Post.
 J. S. Stephenson
 1st Lt. Saff of the 2^d Regt.
 Fort Smith

The Board met, I received the following
order - present all the members.

The Board then proceeded to examine
books of accounts, and to inspect the
accounts of the late ~~James~~ ~~W. S.~~
James Esq. of the A.C.S. is returned, and the
the kind of the goods, condition, the value
of the goods being taken as per
the Board of 1800, to be found to be as shown
and did as to be kept for said to track

The Board reviewed the action of
an Executive Officer in the amount of
said sum, and further find that J. S. Esq.
James Esq. of the A.C.S. is not responsible
for the condition thereof.

The being no further business before
the Board adjourned to the 17th

A. B. C. Esq.
C. D. Esq.
D. E. Esq.

W. S. Esq.
C. D. Esq.
D. E. Esq.

J. S. Esq.
A. B. Esq.
C. D. Esq.

Approved. - The A. C. I. will issue the hind quarters to
the Troops, and as the forequarters are only spoiled, they will
be issued to Indians. -

March 6th 1868.

J. H. & S. Smith
Colonel 27th Infantry
and Brig. Major Genl. J. G. A.
Commanding Post.

Proceedings of a Board of
Survey which convened
at Ft. Philip Kearny D. C.
March 4th 1868. Pursuant
to Special Order No. 24
Head Quarters Ft. Kearny
D. C. dated March 1st 1868.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened pursuant
to the following Order

Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearney & T.
April 3rd 1868

Special Orders.
No 34

II A Board of Survey to consist of
Captain E. F. Thompson, 2nd Lt. Inf. Direct Capt. Thos.
Connelly, 2nd Lt. Inf. and 2nd Lt. George I. Belden
2nd Cavalry is hereby ordered to convene at 10 O'clock
A.M. tomorrow or as soon thereafter as practicable for the
purpose of examining into and fixing the responsibility of a
^{reported}
~~stated~~ deficiency of 4th pairs of Boots existing between
the amount of Clothing invoiced by Bvt Brig Genl
Wm Meyer to G. H. on the first day of May 1867 to Bvt
Brig Genl G. B. Candy, A. G. H. and the actual
amount received by the latter

The Board will report in conformity to Par. 1019, R.
A. R. 1863 and as otherwise required and furnish dupli-
cate copies of its proceedings to these Head Quarters

By Order of Brevet Major Genl Geo E Smith
Comdg Post

(Signed) A. W. Bowman

1st Lt and Adjutant - 2nd Inf.
Adjutant -

Board met pursuant to above Order on the 17th day of April
1868 at Fort-Phillip - Kearny Co. D.
Present all the members. The Board proceeded to the
Quartermaster Store and after a careful examination, failed
to adduce any evidence that bore upon the case the parties
who received the Boots having left the Post and there
being no papers on file pertinent to the case

The Board is of the opinion that the accompanying letter
of Det. Brig Genl. Wm. Meyers C. G. No. Dept. of the State
being simply a statement of the Officer responsible cannot be
taken as evidence. The Board finds by reference to
preceding Boards of Survey that only three pairs of boots
were found to be deficient when the invoice of that article
was received which three pairs were charged to Wells
Forge Co, the further deficiency of 44 pairs of boots on
the same invoice seems not to have been discovered until
September 20th 1867.

The Board having no further business before it adjourned
"Linc die"

E. A. Thompson
Captain & Deputy
President

Wm. G. Grundy
Lieut 27th U.S. Inf.
Bvt. Capt. U.S.A.

Geo. T. Elden
2nd Lieut & 2nd U.S. Inf.
Respondent

The Proceedings of the Board are Approved
 H. D. McNeil King
 April 17th 1868.

Pro. G. Smith
 Bob McNeil
 Camp. W. Post

P. 190-701-1868

Headquarters Dept of the Platte
 Omaha, Neb, May 6th 68
 Approved so far as it
 sets forth the facts.

The receiving officer
 is clearly responsible for
 the deficiency and will be
 so held. - If the deficiency
 existed at the receipt of the
 stores there should have
 been a board of survey
 held at the time - as this
 was not done it is to be
 presumed that there was
 then no deficiency.

By command of
 P. M. Maj. Genl August
 Lewis Merrin
 P. Lt. Col. Capt 2nd Cav.
 Act Asst. Insp. Genl.

Proceedings of a Board
 of Survey which convened
 at Ft. Philip Kearney Dist.
 April 5th 1868, pursuant
 to Special Order No. 34
 Headquarters Ft. Philip
 Kearney Dist. dated April
 4th 1868.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened pursuant to the following Order

Head Quarters Post

Fort Philip Kearny D.D. April 5th 1868

Special Orders)
No 34)

III A Board of Survey to consist of Captⁿ E. J. Thompson 27th Inf^y & Brevet Captⁿ Thomas Connolly 27th Inf^y and 2^d Lieut George P. Belden 2^d Cavalry is hereby ordered to convene at 10 O'Clock A.M. tomorrow or as soon thereafter as practicable for the purpose of examining into and ~~reporting~~ fixing the responsibility of a reported deficiency of 47 pairs of Boots existing between the amount of Clothing invoiced by Bvt Brig Genl Wm Myers C. G. M. on the first day of May 1867 to Bvt Brig Genl. I. B. Dandy A. G. M. and the actual amount received by the latter

The Board will report in conformity to Par 1019 R. A. R. 1863, and as otherwise required and furnish duplicate copies of its proceedings to these Head Quarters

By order of Bvt Major Genl John E. Smith
Comd^g Post

(Signed) A. H. Bowman
1st Lieut and Adj^t 27th Infantry
Post Adjutant

Board met pursuant to above order, on the 7th day of April 1868 at Fort Philip Kearny D.D. Present all the Members, The Board proceeded to the Quartermasters Stores and, after a careful examination, failed to adduce any evidence that bore upon the case, the parties who received the boots having left the Post, and there being no papers on file pertinent to the case.

The Board is of the opinion that the accompanying letter of Brevet Brig Genl Wm Myers C. G. M. Dept of the Platte being simply a statement of the Officer responsible, cannot be taken as evidence. The Board finds that by

reference to preceding Boards of Survey that only three (3) pairs of boots were found to be deficient when the invoice of that article was received, which three pairs were changed to Wells Fargo & Co the further deficiency of 144 pairs of boots in the same invoice seems not to have been discovered until September 20th 1867

The Board having no further business before it adjourned *Sine die*

(Signed) E. J. Thompson

Capt^r 27th Inf^{ty} President

(Signed) Thomas Connolly

1st Lieut 27th Inf^{ty} Br^g Capt^r USA

(Signed) Geo P Pelden

2^d Lieut 2nd Cav

Recorder

The proceedings of the Board are Approved

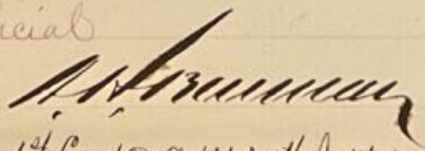
(Signed) J^r E Smith

Br^g Major Genl

Comd^r Post

H^d Qrs Fort Phil Kearny)
April 17th 1868)

Official



1st Lieut & Adj^t 27th Inf^{ty}

Post Adjutant

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which con-
vened at Ft. Philip-
Kearny D.T. April 17th
1868. Pursuant to Spe-
cial Order No 34. Hd
Qrs Ft. Philip Kearny
D.T. dated April 5th 1868



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Proceedings of a Board of Survey which convened
at Post Fort Philip Kearney Dakota Terr. on the 21st
of April 1868. pursuant to the following order.

Head Quarters Post
Fort Philip Kearney D. T.
April 18th 1868.

Special Order
No. 41.

Extract

III A Board of Survey to consist of
1st Lieut. Jacob Paulus 2nd Lt. Col. Capt Thomas
Connolly 2nd Lt. Col. and 2nd Lieut. Geo. P. Belden 2nd Lt. Col.
is hereby ordered to convene at 8 o'clock P.M. today
or as soon thereafter as practicable for the
purpose of examining and reporting upon the condition
of one horse, the property of the United States and
for which 2nd Lt. Col. Major D. S. Gordon Capt. P. Col.
is responsible and reported unfit for service. The
Board will report in compliance with Par. 1019
R. A. R. 1863. and furnish duplicate copies of
its proceedings to these Head Quarters.

By Order of
2nd Lt. Col. Geo. P. Belden
Signed
A. H. Bowman,
1st Lieut. and Adj. 2nd Lt. Col.
Post Adjutant

The Board met pursuant to the above order, present all the members, on the 21st of April 1868. and proceeded to examine into the condition of one horse, the property of the United States and for which Capt D. S. Gordon D. Caval. Brews Major U.S.A. is responsible, and find that the horse is broken down ~~and~~ ^{totally} unfit for Cavalry service by being ridden a long distance by a deserter Thomas Kelley, Private Co. D. 2^d U.S. Caval. who deserted April 6th 1868. and rode said horse as far as Fort C. F. Smith. Mo. T. without feeding him or giving him the necessary attention, but riding him constantly.

Said horse was so treated by said deserter from time of desertion until April 13th 1868. when he gave himself up to Lieut O. Tillotson 2^d U.S. Inf. (who was enroute from Fort C. F. Smith for this Post) at Grass Lodge Creek D. T.

The Board ~~are~~ ^{is} of opinion that the government has sustained damage in the bad usage of said horse by said deserter, to the amount of \$40 forty Dollars.

The Board having no further business before it adjourned Sine die

(Signed) Jacob Paulus
1st Lieut 2^d U.S. Inf. President

(Signed) Thos Connolly
1st Lieut 2^d U.S. Inf. 1st Lt. Capt. U.S.A.
Member.

(Signed) Geo. P. Belden.
D. S. Lieut. U.S. Caval.
Recorder.

The proceedings of the foregoing Board are Approved

(Signed) Jno. E. Smith
Brig. Major Genl U.S.A.
Comd'g Post

May 14th 1868.

Official
~~Signature~~
1st Lieut and Adjt. of the Regt.
Post Adjutant

Proceedings of a Board
of Survey which com-
menced at Ft. Phil Kearny
D.C. May 14th 1868. pur-
suant to Special Orders
No 41 dated April 14th 1868