PVT. GUSTIN FLINT
LETTER, 24 JUNE 1864

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Gustin Flint was a resident of Newville, DeKalb County, Indiana. He enlisted in the army on 7 March 1864 as a Private and was mustered into F Company in the Indiana 129th Infantry. It left the state on the 30th for Nashville, where it was assigned to the 2nd brigade, 1st division, 23rd corps.

It reached Charleston, Tennessee, at the end of April and left in May to take part in the movement toward Atlanta. It participated in the battle of Kennesaw Mountain 27 June 1864 in Cobb County, and took part in the pursuit of Hood's army in October as far as Gaylesville, Alabama. After this the corps was detached and sent to General Thomas at Nashville. In the latter part of November it was engaged in heavy skirmishing at Columbia, and was in the thick of the fight at Franklin, assisting in repelling repeated assaults and sustaining heavy losses. Falling back to Nashville it put up defenses and participated in the two-days' battle of Nashville, joining in pursuit of the enemy.

In January 1865 it took transports to Cincinnati and from there went by rail to Washington. Moving with the main column to Goldsboro, North Carolina, it took position at Mosely Hall, remaining until 5 April. It then moved to Charlotte, where it engaged in provost duty and remained until the end of August. Flint was mustered out on 29 August 1865 in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Sources:

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The collection is an unsigned letter from Pvt. Gustin Flint, Company F, 129th Indiana Volunteers, “camped in line of Battle away down South in Dixie, Georgia,” to Cousin Alonzo and Marilla King, Newville, DeKalb County, Indiana. The letter was written 24 June 1864, during the opening of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. Also included is the transmittal envelope, postmarked from Nashville, Tennessee, on 4 July, and a photocopy portion of another letter written by Flint to the Kings.

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