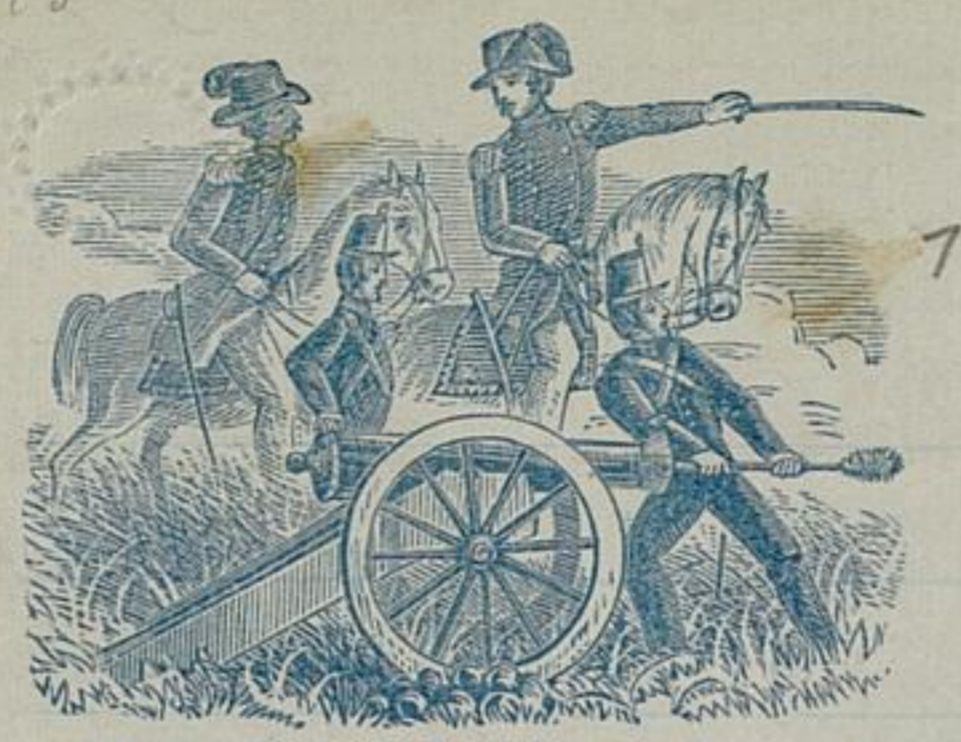


now, some fifteen out of
 our Reg'. I stand on guard
 one and sometimes longer
 a week, two hours on and
 four hour off, for twenty four,
 I was sorry to hear of Uncle's
 death, but all men must die
 I had heard of the death of those
 boys in Uncle's Co. Best I am
 almost glad that I did not go
 in his Co. We had some win-
 ter here at the same time, you
 see, it is quite cold to night
 but just pleasant winter.
 My love to all, hope to hear from
 you ^{all} soon. It is well. Call
 ever your loving son.

W.H.M.
 [W.H. Morgan]

I will write to John in a
 day or so.
 W.H.M.
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"We Belong to Our Country."

Pilot Knob Dec. 27th
 1861

Mrs. Eliza Morgan,

Dear Ma,

I presume
 that Christmas is over in Ill.
 while here we are just picking
 off the best part of it now.
 Our boxes did not arrive
 until Christmas evening,
 and you had better think we
 had some Christmas from that
 time till this, and are likely to
 have more in a few years.
 Well now if there was not
 some glad boys, when we
 saw the boxes put of the cars
 for us. We just told the