

Kansas State Militia miscellaneous papers by county

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These papers are primarily made up of signed military oaths and muster rolls, arranged alphabetically by county. They chronicle the organization of small, township militias across the state, including the Humboldt Rangers, Little Osage Cavalry, Huron Home Guards, Barnesville Home Guards, Padonia Frontier Guards, LeRoy Scouts, Greenwood Township Rifle Company, Circleville Riflemen, Bainter Rangers of Jefferson County, Twin Springs Union Guards, Cavalry Company at Neosho Falls, among many others. Also included is correspondence between the citizens volunteering for the Kansas State Militia and government officials, including Adjutant General Guilford Dudley, Adjutant General Cyrus K. Holliday, Governor Charles L. Robinson, and Governor Thomas Carney.

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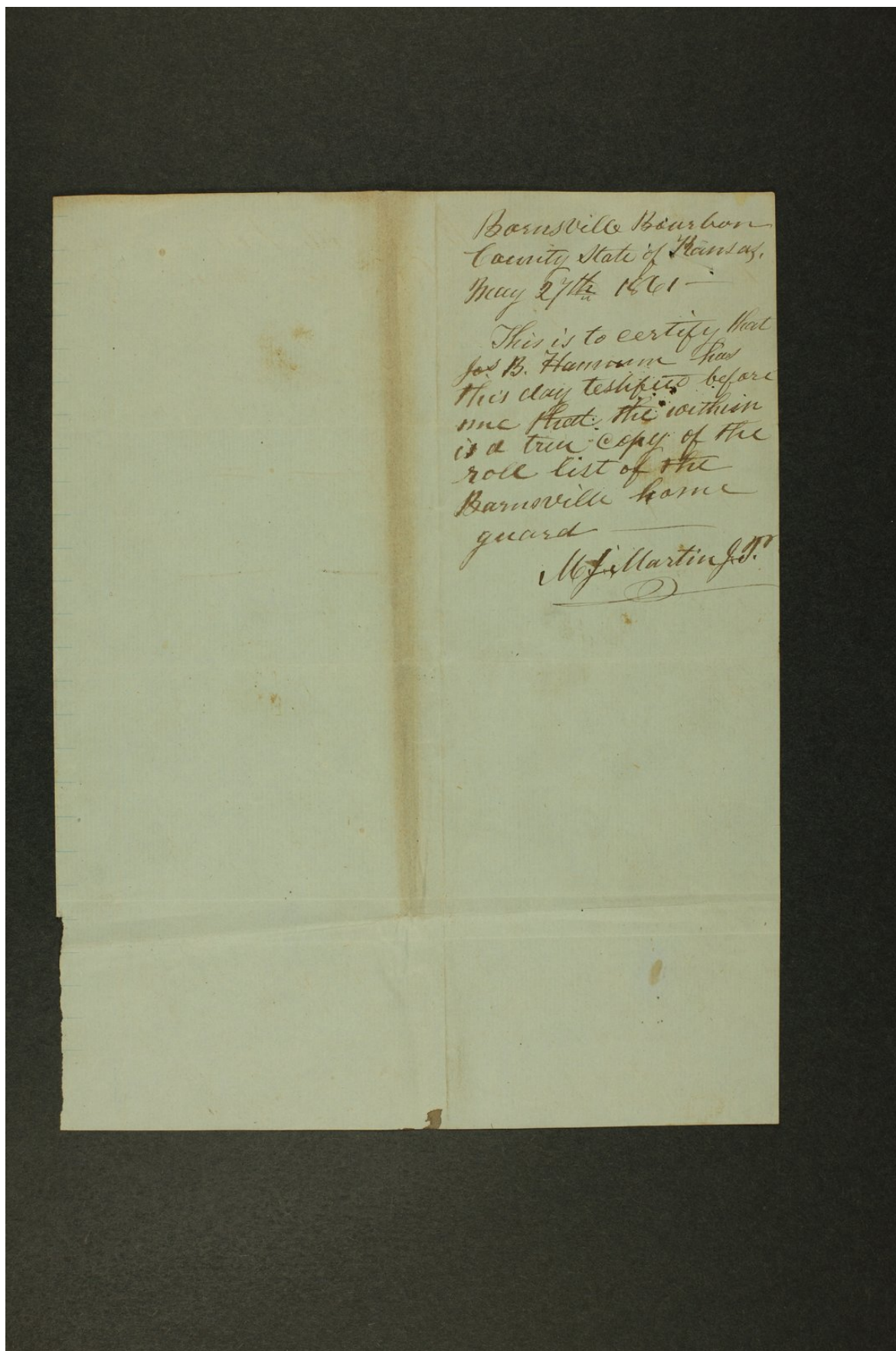
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Barnesville Barton Co. ¹⁸⁶¹
 We the undersigned Organize ourselves into
 a militia Company for home protection under
 the Militia law passed by the Legislature of
 the state of Kansas April 22nd 1861

Names	Simon Washburn	Names
J B Hammon	J J Clark	A B Barker
R P Ware	Wm. Clark	A B Williams
J G. Hawkins	Russell Justice	M. Williams
Wm. Lounsbury	Wm. Wentworth	J W Harris 42
Allen Wade	John Wiley	
Charles Smith	Daniel Bodley	
Wm. Lovelizz	H G Ruble	
Thomas Farkins	David Ingram	
W J Wade	Thomas Dixon	
P C Morrel	H D Martin	
Wm. Bodley	George Hanway	
John Justice	C J Williams	
J J Morrel	H Wentworth	
Wm. Hamlin	J W Clark	
Wm. Beth	Wm. Walker	
Wisha Amy	Jesse Walker	
C W Campbell	W J Artaburg	
Edward Clymer	R Herington	
Green Thiecklin	James Loveliss	
Wm H Jones	George Mc Neal	
J J Washburn	Augustus Watt	

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K. S. Militia
Miscellaneous, Harriet's

Bourbon Co. Oct. 9, 1863

Wm. M. Baurbon Co. Kas
Oct 9th 1863

Sir:-

Despatches having reached Fort Scott that Genl Blunt had been attacked and routed with the loss of a large portion of his command near Bartles Springs and bodies of rebels having been reported near the border, Col Blair Com'dg Dist Fort Scott, requested me to organize all the men that could be raised in this region and prepare for defence. I accordingly organized 1 Company at this place under Capt J Smith with 65 or 70 men and one company in Marion, west of this, with about the same number of men under Capt George Eanes.

These companies are organized as State Militia under our Statute and will report accordingly.

These are required, at present, for active service but have no arms except very poor carbines which are almost useless having no suitable ammunition.

If these companies should be continued in service, is there any means provided for their subsistence?

I have requested Genl McDowell to send arms and ammunition.

2000 rebels are reported at Nevada

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Mo and others on the South

An attack upon this part of Kansas
is very probable unless we have a suf-
ficient force to repel it.

Having seen no order for the organi-
zation of the Militia in this County I do not
know what regiment these companies
will be assigned to but I suppose Maj Gen
Scott will assign them.

I have the honor to be

~~Very Respected~~ Sir,

Your Obedt Servt

Heoratus Knowles

His Excellency
Gov Thos Carney

P.S. Since writing the above we have drawn
10 days rations from the Commissary at St Scott.

I have been requested by Col Blair to oversee
the organizations of these companies and to guard
the South and South west borders. I have
1 Company stationed at Rockford and one here
and established pickets on all the principal
roads. but as I am acting in a military ca-
pacity with any proper authority I suggest
that some field Officer be assigned to duty
on the Southern border to take charge of the
force on the line from here to Humboldt.

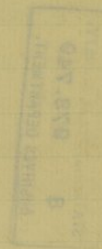
I am exercising authority or rather assuming it.

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We are only justified in doing so by the emergency of the case,

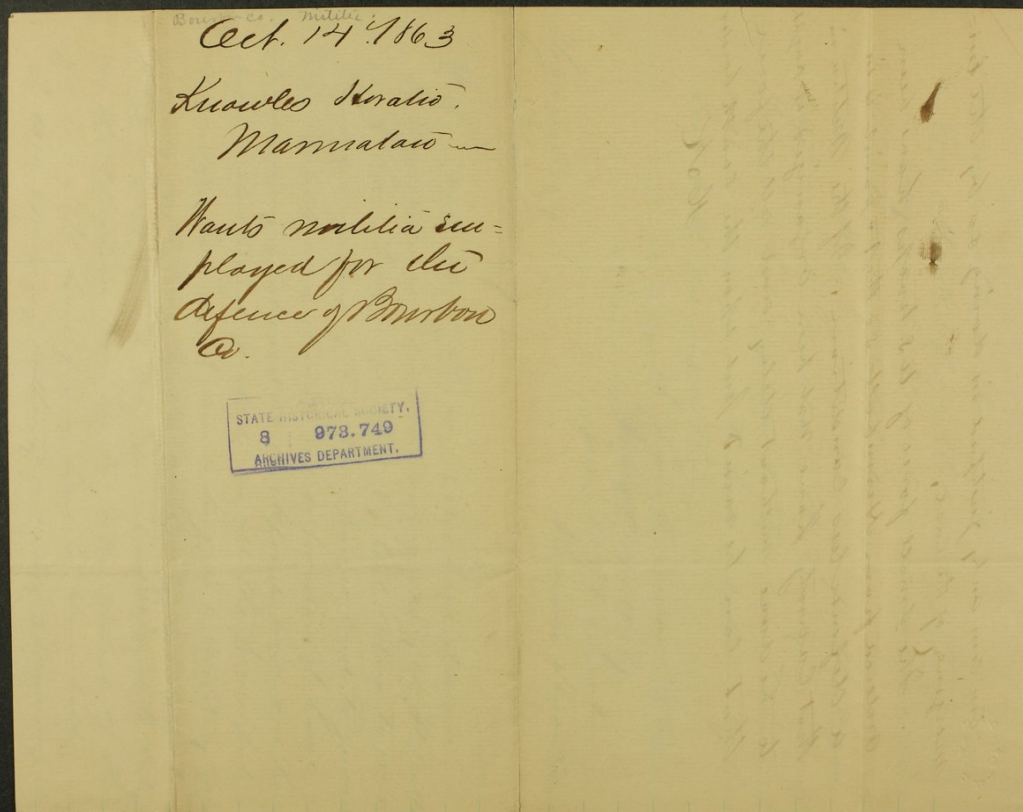
The small force of U.S. troops have been ordered from Humboldt so that point is in a defenseless condition. If the Militia in that County have not been organized it ought to be done without delay and all the force that can be raised put upon the South border.

H. K.



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Camp Mill Creek Nov 18
Bourbon Co Kansas 1863

Battalion Drill and Encampment
Major Geo P Eaves Comd
In accordance to Genl order no.
of Major Genl Scott the organized
Militia of Bourbon Co reported at
these Headquarters for Battalion
Drill as required in said Genl order
no. The following Companies reported
as follows—

Co A

Captain D S Roberts. P O address
Fort Lincoln Bourbon Co Kansas—
Commissions recd. 40 Austrian Rifles and
5 Sabers Recd. arms necessary to
arm Militia of Township 45
Signed D S Roberts—

Co B

Captain Dyer Smith Marmiton P O.
Bourbon Co Kansas. Commissions
recd. no arms. Men in Co 72—
arms requisite to arm Co Sabers 6
Rifles 66. Signed Dyer Smith

Co C

Captain John Stewart P O address
Bourbon Co Kansas

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5 Commissions recd - 47 Men in co
no arms - arms requisite to arm
co - Sabers & Rifles 41
Signed John Stewart

Co D ✓
Captain Isaac Morris P O address
Venida Bourbon Co Kansas -
no commissions recd - co organized
Oct 12th no arms - ^{number} 40 Men in co -
arms requisite - Sabers & Rifles
Signed Isaac Morris

Co E
Captain John G Rice P O address
Mapleton Bourbon Co Kansas
no commissions received - no arms -
Co organized Oct 18
1 Men in co - arms requisite -
Co did not report for drill as
the Company officers were not advised
of requisition of Genl order no 4
nor of Genl order no 5 -
Signed John G Rice

Co F ✓
Captain Benjamin F Gum P O address
Turkey Creek Bourbon Co Kansas
no commissions recd - no arms - co.
organized Oct 5 - no of men in co
72 - arms requisite - Sabers & Rifles 66
Signed Benj F Gum

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Organized Oct 5- No of men in Co
72- Arms requisite - Sabers & Rifles 66
Signed Benj L Gurn

Co G no roll
Captain S B Mahuren - P.O address
St Scott - no commissions recd
no arms - army requisite Sabers -
Rifles - ~~Did not~~ S B Mahuren
Co did not report for drill as co
officer did have no notice of meeting at
St Scott of 7 inst according to Genl order
no 4 nor of Genl order no 5 -

No of Companies represented	7
No Present & on drill	5-
No of Commissioned officers Present	26
No " Non -- -- & Private	<u>176</u>
Total no of of Men on drill	202

Les P Eaves
acting Lieut Col Comd
W H Green
acting adjutant

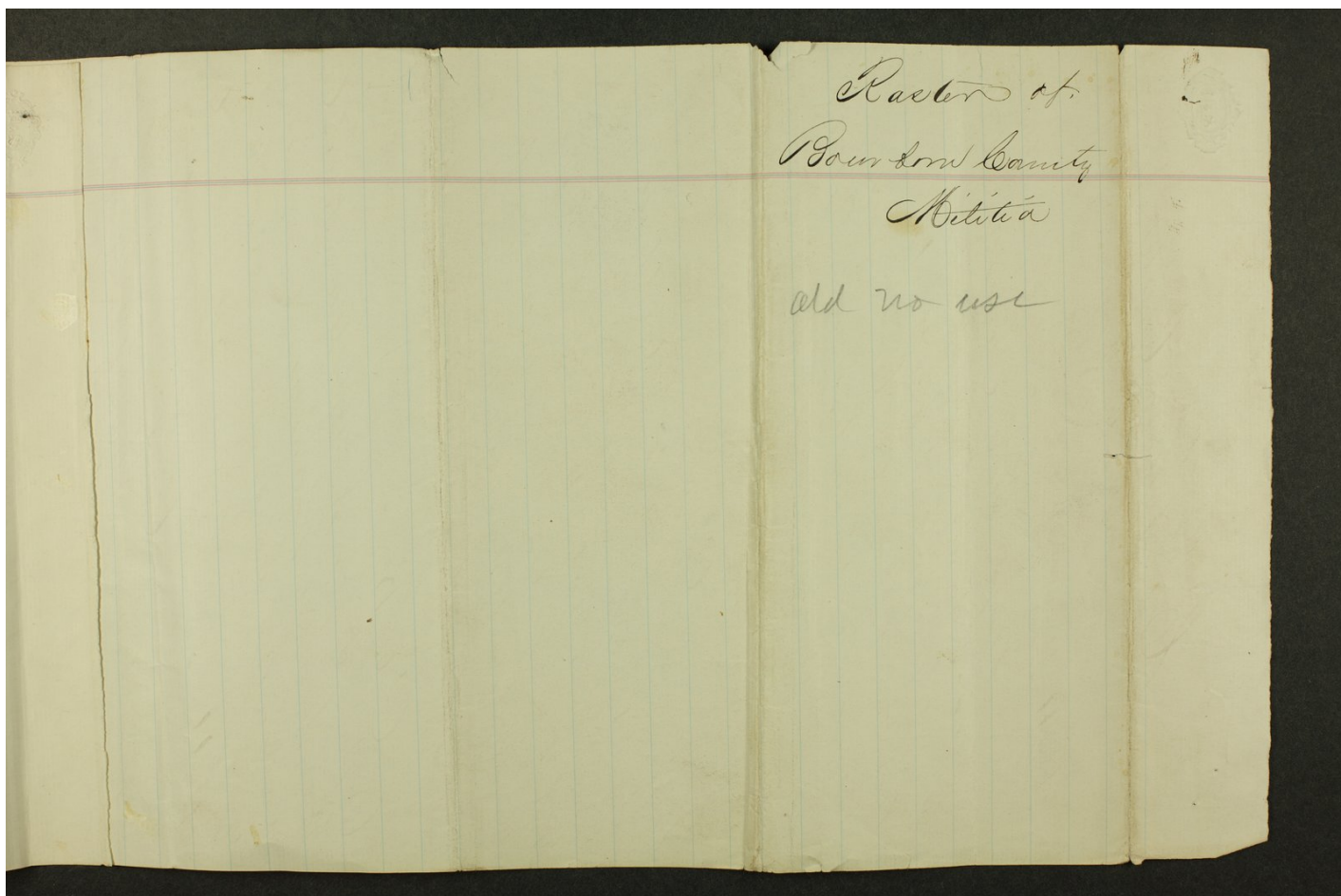
Battalion Organization
Present 26 Commissioned Officers
representing 7 Companies -
Entitled to elect one Lieut Col &
one Major according to General Order no 4

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Acting Adjutant

Battalion Organization
 Present 26 commissioned Officers
 representing 7 Companies -
 Entitled to elect one Lieut Col &
 one Major according to Genl order no 4
 Major Geo P Eaves was elected
 Lieut Col - having been elected Major
 at St Scott on 7th inst - Captain Isaac
 Morris was elected Major - P O address
 Venice Bourbon Co
 William A Green orderly of Co B was
 promoted to post of Adjutant of
 Battalion. P O address Marmaton
 Lieut John Blair was appointed
 Quarter Master P O address
 Kansas
 W A Green Geo P Eaves
 acting adjt acting Lieut Col Comd

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Bourbon Co. Collection, K.S.M. Feb. 8, 1864

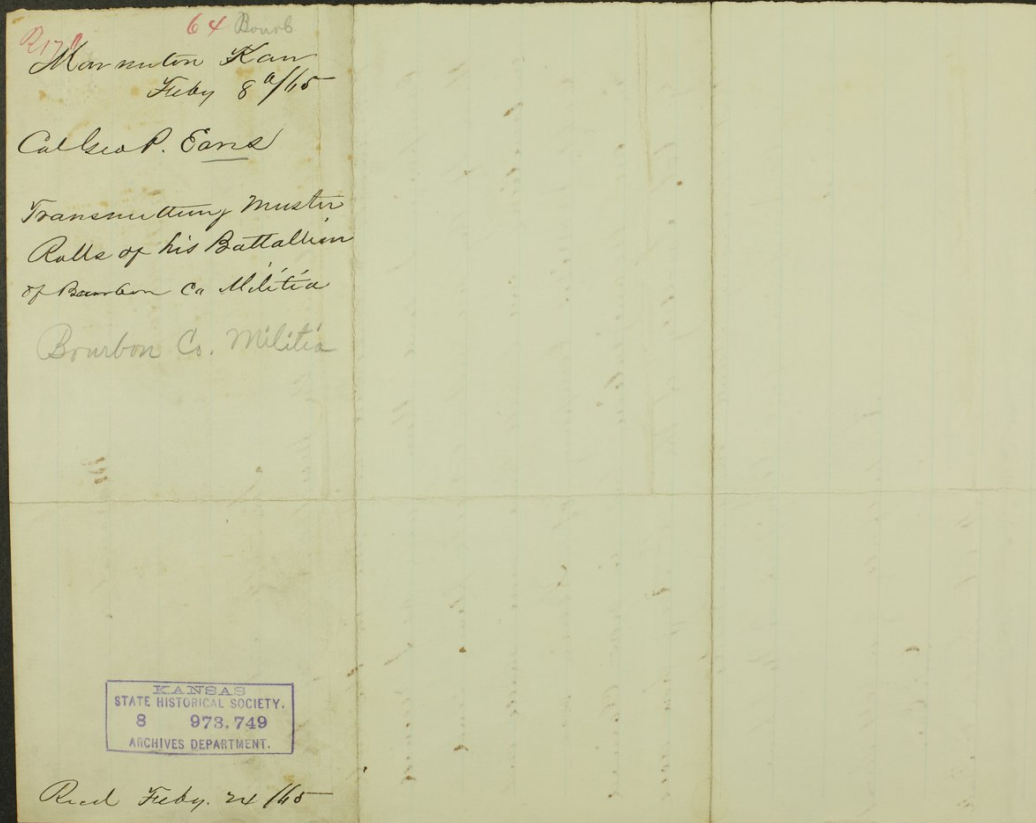
Marmaton Feb 8th 1864

C. K. Holliday
Adj't Gen.

Sir after a long delay
I have obtained the Muster Rolls of the
Companies who served with me in the late
Campaign I send them just as I received
them If they are not correct please send
instructions and I will have more made out
Capt. Morris's Company of Xenia was
in our organization but is now claimed
by Col. Snoddy of the 6th Reg, how does
that Company stand on your Books
The Commissions of an Adj't & 2 M L have
received

Respectfully your Obedt Servant.
G. P. Gues
St Col Bourbon Co Batts

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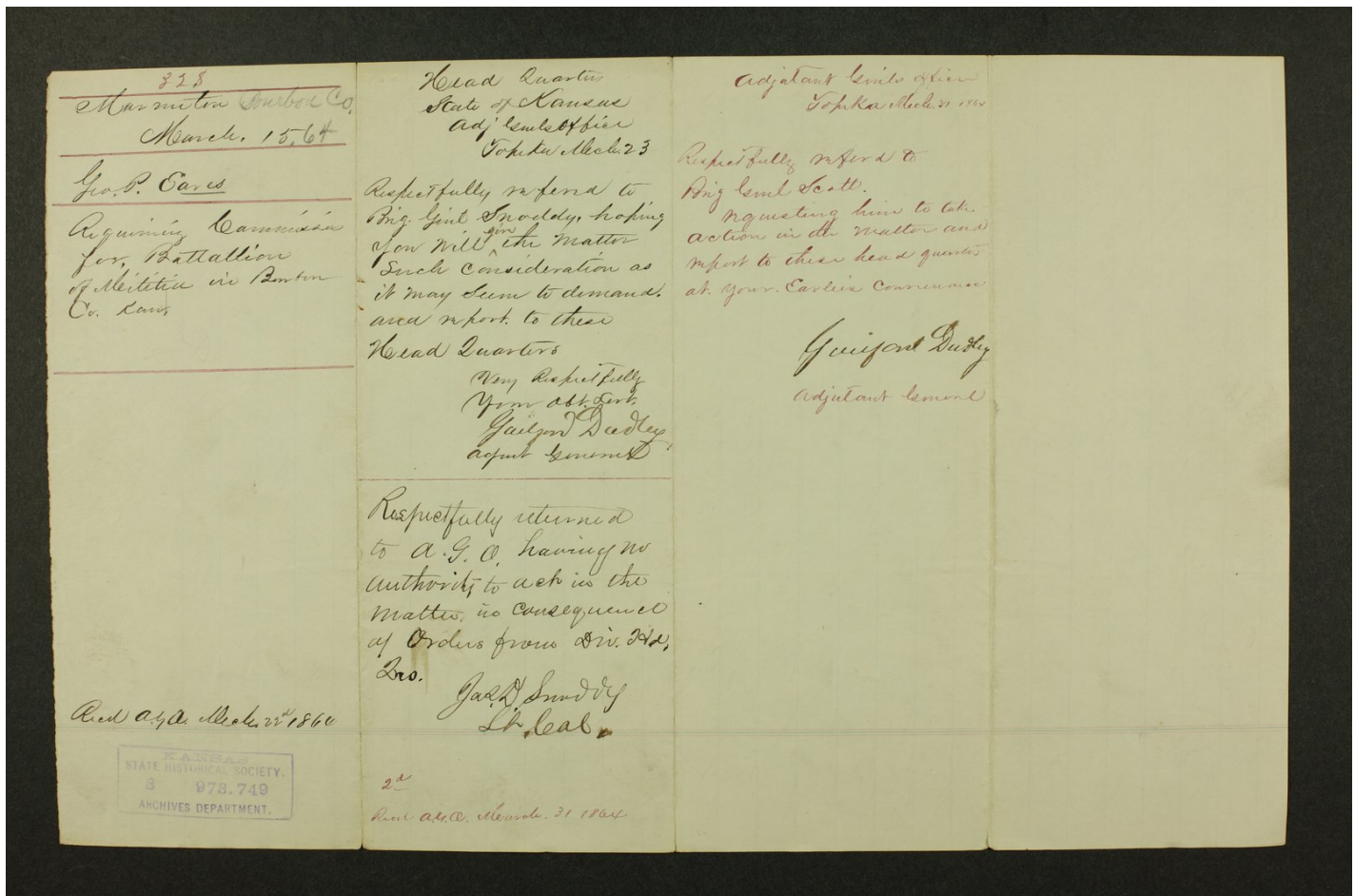
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Bourbon Co. Battalion, K.S.M. Mar. 15, 1864

Warrington Bourbon Co Kansas
Adj 2nd 1st Bat K.S.M.
March 15-1864
Adjutant Genl
Sir

Some
two months ago I had a com-
munication from your Adj 2nd
stating that commissions would
be made out for those entitled
to them of this Battalion upon
having the requisite Cos
& report - their Co organization
to your dept - I notified
those that had not reported
to do so at once - since
which time I have had
no communication from
you - I would now ask that
the commissions be forwarded to
us at once or entirely suspend-
ed as we can legally exercise
no authority over the Militia
unless duly commissioned -
Yrs & Green Most Respectfully
at ady Geo P Pearce
at St Col
K S M

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Bourbon Co., Ballot

Apr. 19, 1864

Hd Qrs 5th Brigade
E. S. M.
Lees Ferry, Kansas
Apr 19 1864

Brig Gen Snoddy
Meand City Kansas
Sir

As Bourbon
County is in your Brigade, the recommending
of Commissions for said County is politely
referred to you. I herewith transmit to
you report of Lt Col Eves, of said
County. At the ~~Br~~ Battalion election held
in said County Eves was elected Major
and his Commission recommended. Soon
after the recommending of his Commission
I received a statement that he had been
elected Lt Col and — ~~that~~ was elected
Major. Lt Col Eves was then notified that
as soon as he had received his Commission
as Major, to forward the same to this
office, and his Commission as Colonel
would be recommended, his Commission
as Major was to be sent to Rockville as
~~that~~ was the office designated in the
communication to me. It now

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Comes under your jurisdiction to
recommenel commissions in said
County. So I herewith transmit
Let Col Eves report to assist
you in so doing,
yours truly

John B. Scott
Brig Gen Com 5th Brig

E. Robinson
A. A. Gen

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1495 Bourbon Co. 231 Regt -
 Le Roy Coffey co Respectfully refused
 April 19 1862 to the A.S.O. Received
 Genl A.B. Shatto Since the death of
 to Genl Snoddy John T Snoddy
 Genl D. Snoddy
 Lt Col
 6th Reg.
 Respectfully Refuses the
 Recommendation of Commission
 to Genl Snoddy, for Bourbon
 County, also, in favor
 of Maj Cassa Electric
 of Bourbon on Ballot
 Bourbon Co, L.D.
 And at a Jan 8 1864



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Bourbon Co, Battalion, Co. G.

June 3, 1864

Depot Quartermaster's Office,
FORT SCOTT, KAN.

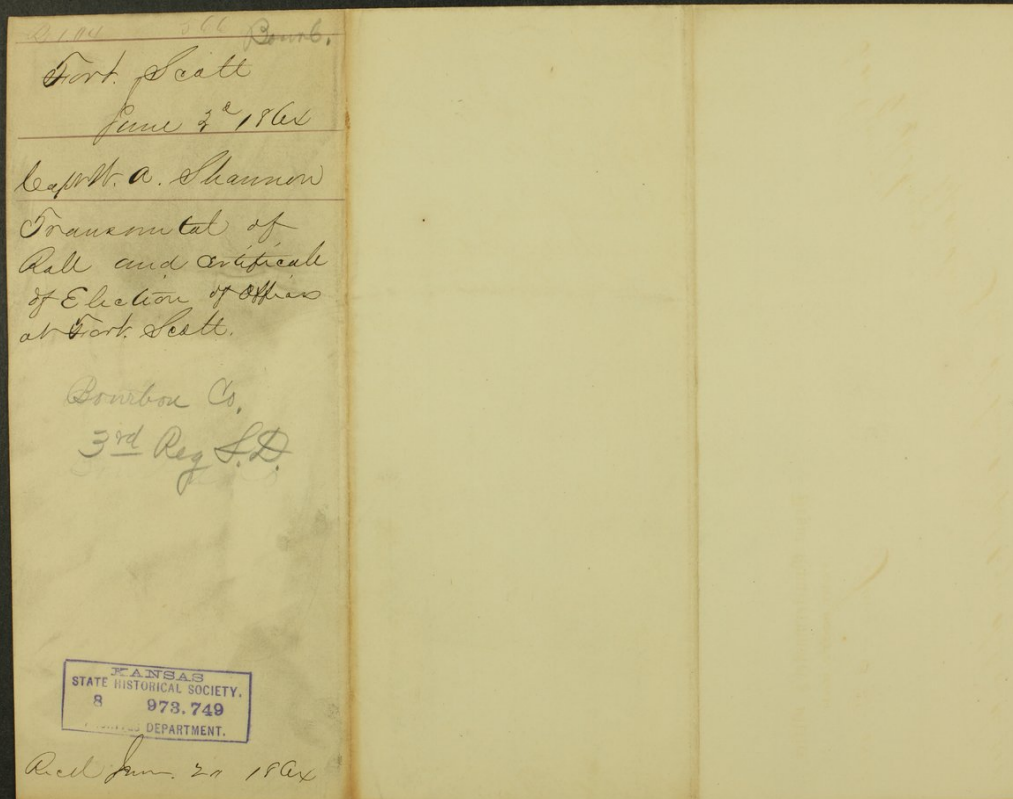
To His Excellency
Gen. Thos. Canby
Topeka Kan

June - 3 - 1864

I have the honor to report to you that in the 21st
May 1864 a Meeting of Citizens Employed by Government Met & at the Past and
formed themselves into a Military organization by Electing W. H. Shannon Captain
W. H. Roscoe 1st. & David H. Thomas 2nd Lieut. & Geo. H. Doyle 3rd Lieut. The Embarrassing
Position of affairs on our Kansas Border seems to demand the necessity of
Every person qualifying themselves for Effectiveness in case an Emergency
arises to defend our State against an armed Invader therefore the action
in the premises. Your Excellency will find Enclosed Copy of Proceedings of
& Roll of the Company. The Company meet arms and await the further
action of Your Excellency in the premises All of which is Respectfully subm
itted

Yours
Most Obedt Serv.
W. H. Shannon

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Bourbon Co Battalion June 20, 1864

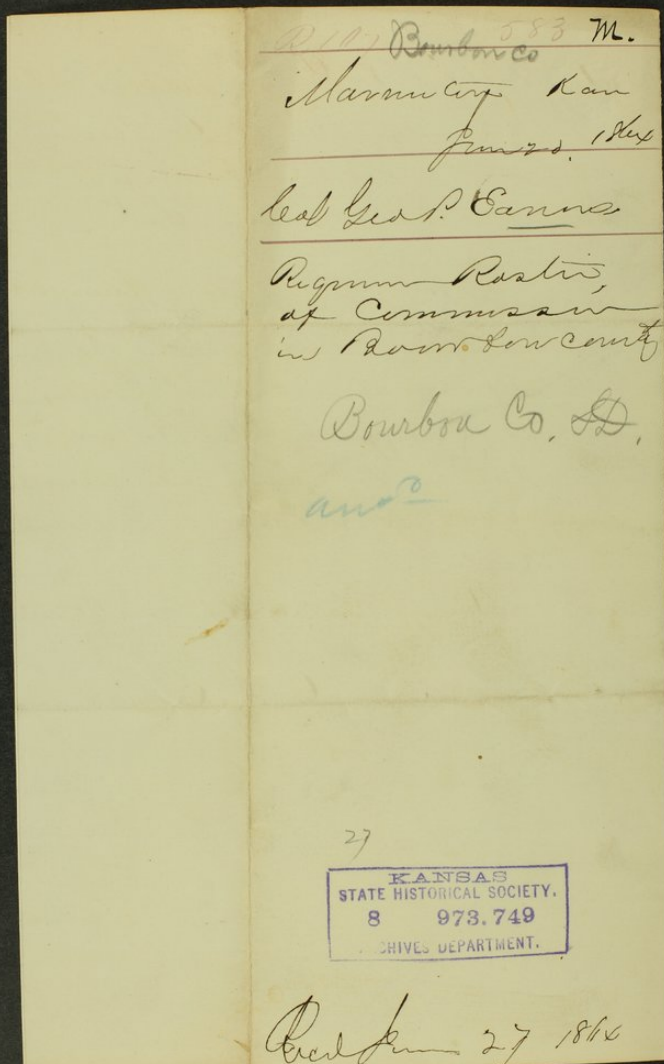
Marmaton June 20th
 C. K. Holliday
 Adjutant Gen, *Sir*

I have the honour to acknowledge
 your favour of June 19th enclosing
 my Commission as Lieut. Colonel
 of Bourbon Co Militia
 And will beg leave to inform
 you that in Pursuance of an
 Order from Gen. Scott on the
 18th of November 1863 we organized
 a Battalion composed of seven
 companies of which I was elected
 Lt. Col. Isaac Morris Major
 G. W. Blair Quartermaster and
 Wm Green Adjutant
 There was a full report of said
 election also Complete Muster
 Rolls of Companies composing
 Battalion immediately forwarded

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to the Adj't Gen's Office
But as you failed to receive
it. Some of the Companies
have not yet received their
Commissions
Please send me a Roster of
Companies Commissioned in
this County also State of Comms
I will forward Muster Rolls of
Companies that have not received
their Comms as soon as I receive
the Roster
Very Respectfully yours Chas. J. Coes

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Bourbon Co, Station Nov. 20, 1864

Marmaton Nov 20th/64

C K Holliday
Adj't General

Your favour
of Nov. 5th I received and
in reply will inform you
that there has been no
change made in the Batt.
that I command The Reg.
you refer to is an entire new
organization

When we were in Camp
it became necessary to
have a Adjutant and
Quartermaster and I appoint-
ed James Atken as
Adj't and Nelson Grindle

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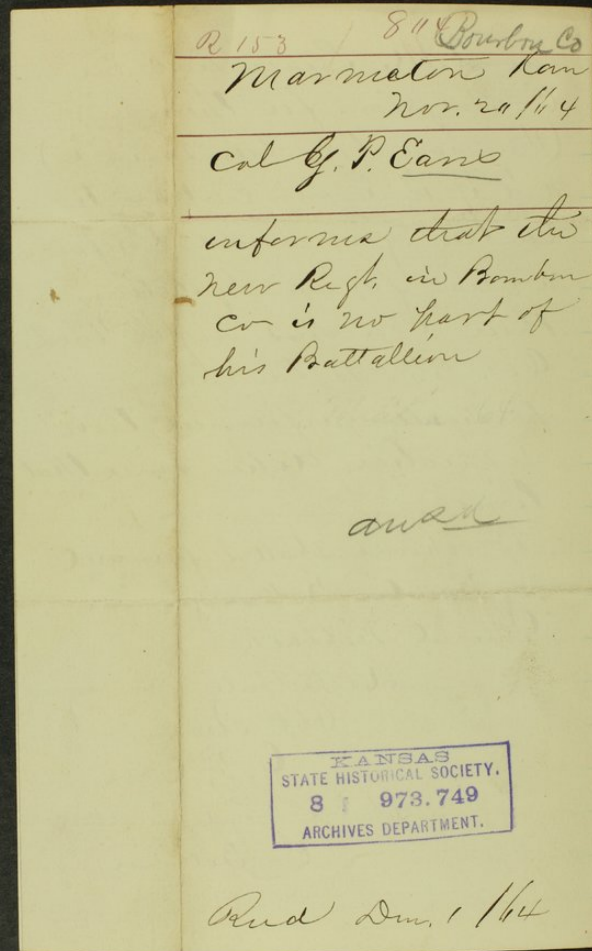
as I. M. Please send me
Commissions for them
(they have both been sworn in)
and if it is not contrary to
Custom you would confer
a great favour by dating
their Commissions as far back
Oct. 8th as they have
faithfully performed their
respective duties since that
time.

To whom shall I forward
my Muster Rolls you or
General Fiskback

Respectfully your very
Obedt Servant
G. P. Evers

Lt Col Comdg Battalion
Co Battalion

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Parsons Co. Battalion

Feb. 13, 1865

Hiawatha, Kansas. Feb. 13th. 1865.

To Adjutant General. B. K. Holliday.

Colonel.

I have the honor to report to you for instructions in regard to this militia law for punishing absentees from drill. I have reported to Gen. Cherry regarding the same. but he makes me no reply, and he also is excused one W. B. Barnett of this place. from drill... because he acted as Brig. Quarter master, last act while in actual service. but he has no commission and it is also my duty to report to you three men of my company while in actual service last act at that time commandet by Capt. Jas. A. Pape. who desertet their command. and came home one of them lost his gun and equipments. and if there is any punishment for such offences I think it my duty as an officer and for the respect of the law. that commission me as well as the respect which I have for my command to punish all such offences according to law and if I can not do that. I will will return my commission. and then they can find some person else who will ~~hold~~ command them. but I will not

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I hope to hear from you soon
for the men swear they will not
drill any more untill orders
heretofore committed have been furnished
and I have promised them that I would
furnish them if there was any law
for such, and so I wish full instruction
regarding those cases as soon as convenient
and, Colonel, I have the honor
to remain your obedient
Servant.
Jacob Spahr, Jr.
Capt. Co. A.
Brown Co. Battalion
K. S. M.

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Brown Co.
G. H. S. L. H. S. L. H. S. L.
Kiamalla Ham
Feb 13/85
Capt Jacob S. Barker
Informed of disturbance
in his company and
ask to be informed if
there is any way to punish
the offenders.
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ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT.
Sent 2 copies
militia law
Recd. M. H. 2a/85

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Apr. 30, 1865

Marmaton April 30th 1865

C. K. Holliday

Adj't Gen Sir please
send me (10) ten blank Muster & Pay
Roles with which to comply with Circular
No. 2 issued from your Office (but which
I did not receive untill yesterday)

Also 4 or 5 copies of the new Militia
Law and oblige

Your Obedt Servant

G. P. Eves

St Col Benton Co Batt