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Capt. 34th Mass. Vol. Infy.

Statement.

This Book was brought to me on the Battle Field at Fishers Hill Va, Sept 22nd 1864. by one of the men of my Company, who said he had found it on the Field of Battle. Most likely it was taken from the pocket of the dead Cavalryman, who owned it, and wrote the Diary. The Diary was written in pencil and for the purpose of its preservation and safety as written.

following and preserving every mark of the
pencil, spelling and all, verbatim. It gives of
itself no positive evidence of the name of
the writer, but from other entries made in
the form of accounts, no doubt it was Henry
Garbin 4th Sergt of B. Company 23rd Va Cavalry,
Imboden's Brigade and commanded by Col
Robert White (see Gen. Imboden's letter attached).
A Roll of the [unclear] found in the

Book, written in ink which was so written when
found. The diary since it has been in my
possession has been printed and will be
found in the October 1873 No. of the "Historical
Magazine" (Henry B. Dawson's of Morrisania^{N.Y.}).
A copy of which is sent accompanying this
book.

As the most fitting place of deposit of
this valuable relic of the late rebellion, it