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| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>January 1<sup>st</sup>,<br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875</p>                    | <p>To The<br/>Chief Signal Officer<br/>Of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,<br/>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of Nashville Gas Light and Coke Co. for \$49.50, and of Griffin and son for carpenter work \$9.25.</p> <p>Very respectfully,<br/>Your obedient servant,<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A.</p>                    |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>January 5,<br/>1875</b></p>              | <p>Nashville 1875.<br/>L.R. 1 Vol. 2</p> | <p>H.M. Grigsby<br/>Pulaski, Tenn.</p> <p>Sir,<br/>I have to say in reply to your inquiry, this day received. That the lowest recorded temperature in Tennessee, of which we have any present information, is 13.8 degrees below zero in January 1852 observed by Prof. A. P. Stewart of Lebanon, Tenn.</p> <p>Very Respectfully,<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sgt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p> |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>January 5,<br/>1875</b></p>              | <p>Nashville 1875</p>                    | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,</p> <p>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of Stratton Robb &amp; Co. for coal \$3.50.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Serv't<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sgt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>January 1<sup>st</sup>,<br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875</p>                    | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,<br/>I have the honor to submit herewith a report of the operations of this station for the six months, ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 1874. At the beginning of this period the weather reports received by telegraph at this station, were as follows: seven a.m.</p>                           |

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|  |  | <p>reports. Twenty one p.m. reports, seven midnight reports. These have continued up to the present time with the addition of Corsicana Texas, reports from which have not been received.</p> <p>On the 25 of November, reports were received from seven additional stations at midnight and have since continued, the issue of a midnight bulletin being commenced on that date. Three copies of this bulletin are now issued regularly and furnished to the morning papers at 11.30 to 12 p.m.</p> <p>Twelve morning and afternoon bulletins have been regularly issued during the six months with two exceptional periods, one, when the supply of Forms No. 3 was nearly exhausted , the number issued was reduced to 6 of each per day for a few days, and the other, when the number was increased to 14 each per day during the Expositions.</p> <p>One Form No. 26 (River report) has been issued with each copy of the regular afternoon report.</p> <p>Fort Benton and Sully and Corsicana are the stations from which reports are most frequently missing and Indianala, and Shreveport are occasionally, wanting of the extra reports at midnight. Dubuque has not been received. The remaining stations are very constant, though received late.</p> <p>Reports from special river stations were received from Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> to Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>. These reports are of great interest to a large class of business men here, and their irregularity is consequently a matter of general regret. Not more than ten if the twenty one stations are received for more than a few days consecutively. The aggregate number of reports published by this office during the two quarters, is as follows.</p> <p>Form No. 3 "B" A.M. Reports 1843<br/> Form No. 3 "B" P.M. Reports 1912<br/> Form No. 3 "B" Midnight Reports 81<br/> Form No. 26 (River Reports) 1911<br/> Form No. 22 (Monthly mean) 89<br/> Form No. 15 (Syn &amp; Probs.) 640</p> <p>Printed copies of synopsis and probabilities, 34806. The number of the latter issued daily is 98, and on Fridays 99 one extra being for Cooperstown Tenn.</p> <p>The receipt and publication of synopsis and probabilities has been regular and prompt a gratifying decrease in the number of complaints from postmasters, can also be recorded.</p> <p>The most amicable relations have continued to exist between this office and the Western Union Telegraph Co.'s agents at this place, as also with the various firms and organizations receiving the reports of the office, or who have in any way become interested in the world of the service.</p> <p>The station was visited by Lieut. A.W. Greely on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August remaining until the 12<sup>th</sup> of the same month. Lieut. Fle. Grugan Inspector arrived at the station. Sept. 29, inspecting</p> |
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|  |  | <p>the station during the succeeding four days. The service was represented at the Nashville Industrial Exposition, from Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, a special report of which was made to the Chief Signal Officer. November 11<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Doctor Ely McClellan U.S.A. was furnished with such information as he desired of the weather at this station, during the months of May, June, July and August 1873. The Doctor intends to make use of this data in the compilation of his report on epidemic Cholera.</p> <p>The reports of this service have been posted regularly in the rooms of the Cotton Exchange, since Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>. They are of considerable interest to the Cotton Merchants, giving them reliable information affecting the growing crops. The Sergeant has information that the Cotton Exchange will petition the Chief Signal Officer at an early day, to have several additional reports from cities in the cotton region, sent to this city. The present reports are received with great favor.</p> <p>The newly established Board of Health of this city, made application to this office in July for weekly weather reports, and they have since been furnished as requested.</p> <p>Applications have also been made to the office by firms engaged in shipping. Much valuable information has been given to the RailRoads and Insurance Companies, and the steamboat interest has come to regard the river reports of the service as almost indispensable. The sergeant has information from persons who have called at the office while visiting the city. That the printed "synopsis and probabilities" are very popular in the country.</p> <p>The newspapers of the city have continued to publish the reports regularly, and on the 25 of November the "Union and American" a morning daily, began the publication of the midnight bulletin instead of the P.M. report.</p> <p>The "Banner", "Union &amp; American" "Rural Sun" and "Bulletin". The two first, morning dailies, and the last, weeklies, have taken most interest in the reports. The editorials and reports of the "Rural Sun" especially have tended to spread information of the service, among the agricultural classes where it has an extensive circulation.</p> <p>The station has remained in charge, during the six months, of Sergeant A.C. Ford. With Assts. D.D. Stansell, FX. O'Brien, and John Stealy.</p> <p>The Sergeant having obtained leave of absence for thirty days, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, the station was left in charge of Private Stansell, assisted by Pvts. Healy and O'Brien, Private Healy arriving at the Station July 24<sup>th</sup>. On the return of the Serg't Pv't Stansell was ordered to Washington for promotion. During his service of thirteen months on the station, he was faithful and efficient, conducting the station satisfactorily during the Sergt's absence. Private John Healy still remains as assistant, and is a competent and reliable man.</p> |
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|  |                             | <p>Private Frances X. O'Brien printer, is also entitled to favorable mention for skill and attention to duty. The station is now in first class working order, and it is believed that the instructions of the Chief Signal Officer, are in every particular fully carried out.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant,<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>January 14, 1875</b>                                     | Nashville T. 1875<br>L.R. 5 | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir<br/>I have the honor to report, that Circular No. 54. Series of 1874, was not received at this office and therefore not acknowledged.<br/>The sickness of the Observer occurring about the time of <i>illegible</i> issue was the cause of its being overlooked, and not reported as wanting to complete the file.<br/>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p> |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>Jan'y 14, 1875<br/>Washington, D.C.<br/>Jan'y 11, 75</b> | Nashville 1875,<br>L.R. 6   | <p>Received of Lieut. H. Jackson P&amp;D Officer. Sig. Ser. U.S.A. the sum of sixty four 97/100 (\$64.97/100) dollars in payment of my accounts of Pay and Commutation for the month of December, 1874.<br/>T.X. O'Brien</p>  |
| <b>Washington, D.C.<br/>Jan'y 11<sup>th</sup> 1875</b>                           | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 7    | <p>Received of Lieut. H. Jackson P&amp;D Officer Sig. Ser. U.S.A. the sum of seventy two 97/100 (\$72.97/100) dollars in settlement of my accounts of Pay and Commutation for the month of December 1875.<br/>A.C. Ford</p>   |
| <b>Washington D.C.<br/>Jan'y 11 75</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 8    | <p>Recv'd of Lieut. H. Jackson P&amp;D. Officer Signal Service U.S.A. the sum of fifty four 12/100 (\$54.12/100) dollars in settlement of my accounts of Pay and Commutations for the month of December 1875.<br/>John Healy</p>  |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>January 15, 1875</b>                                     | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 24   | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,<br/>I have the honor to transmit this day memorandum Bill of Stratton Robb &amp; Co. for - Gold - three 50/100 (\$3.50) dollars.<br/>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford</p>  |

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| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>January 19, 1875</b>             | Nashville, 1875<br>Endorsement - L.R.<br>9 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to respectfully return the enclosed Form 5 with the signature of the lending Operator.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sgt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>January 22, 1875</b>             | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 24                 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of State Ins. Co. \$16.66, Stratton Robb & Co. \$2.50, and C.D. Thomas, \$1.00. For rent, Coal and Supplies.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Serv't,<br>A.C. Ford<br>Serg't Sig. Ser. U.S.A.<br>In charge of Station |
| <b>Nashville Tenn.<br/>January 25, 1875, 7:30 a.m.</b>   | Nashville 1875                             | Telegram.<br><br>Chief Signal Officer<br>Washington<br>No stamped wrappers on hand.<br>Ford Sergeant.   |
| <b>Nashville Tenn.<br/>January 28<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 24                  | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br><br>Sir<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith. Memorandum Bills of Stratton Robb & Co. for Coal \$2.50.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Serv't<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sgt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville, T.<br/>Febry. 6, 1875</b>                  | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 24                 | To the Chief Signal Officer<br>Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum Bills of Stratton Robb & Co. for Coal two 50/100 (\$2.50) dollars.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedt Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |

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| <b>Washington D.C. Febr 8<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b>       | Nashville 1875<br>Febry 11 <sup>th</sup><br>L.R. 14 | Received this day of Lieut. Henry Jackson P&D Officer Sergt. Service U.S.A. the sum of fifty four 13 dollars in full of my accounts for pay and commutation for the month of January 1875.<br>(Signed) John Healy<br>Pvt. S.S.A.S.A  |
| <b>Washington D.C. Febr 8, 1875</b>                    | Nashville 1875<br>Febry 11 L.R. 15                  | Received of Lieut. H. Jackson P&D Officer Signal Service U.S.A. The sum of sixty four 98 dollars in full of my accounts for pay and commutation for the month of January 1875.<br>(Signed) F.X. O'Brien<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington D.C. February 8<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>Febry. 11 L.R. 16                 | Received of Lieut. H. Jackson P&D Officer Signal Service U.S.A. the sum of Seventy two 98 dollars in full of my accounts for pay and commutation for the month of January 1875.<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. February 13, 1875</b>              | Nashville, Tenn<br>1875. L.R. 17                    | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br><br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report on the authority of the Post Master at this place, that the Synopsis and Probabilities reach Union City Obion County Tenn. At 8:25 p.m. of the day on which they are issued and that this is the earliest hour at which it is possible to deliver them under the present time schedule of the Nashville and Northwestern Rail Road, no train leaving here until 12:30 p.m. on which the probabilities can be sent.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. February 15, 1875</b>              | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 41-45                        | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of the Tennessee Coal and Rail Road Co. for Coal four 50 dollars, and of Roberts & Purvis for recasting ink roller \$2.50.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Serv't<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. February 20<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b> | Nashville 1875                                      | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report that the water thermometer (no. 370) was found today in the place where it is usually kept with the bulb broken, and that the person or persons in  |

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|  |                           | <p>whose hands it was broken are unknown to the Sergeant or his assistants.</p> <p>The case (No. 4 new style) is new and uninjured, and a new thermometer might be placed in it.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. February 24, 1875</b>          | Nashville, 1875           | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,</p> <p>I have the honor to report that owing to the increased number of Forms 5 used in this office, the supply will be exhausted before the end of the quarter. It is therefore absolutely necessary to make requisition for an extra supply of four hundred (400) forms No. 5 (telegraphic report)</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A.</p> <p>Forms 5, Received March 6 1875</p>   |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. March 9, 1875</b>              | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 29 | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>I have the honor to report that I have this day received the order to print on each copy of the "Farmers Bulletin" issued; a note explaining the reduction in the number of copies sent daily to each Post Master.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. March 9<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 25 | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>I have the honor to report that the earliest mail from this place for Gordonsville, Logan Co. Ky is at 1,40 P.M. and that the Post-Office Authorities here say that Gordonsville can be reached sooner from Cincinnati, O. than from Nashville, also that 1:40 p.m. is the earliest possible hour at which Bulletins can be sent under the present time tables of the Rail Roads. Gordonsville mail goes via Bowling-Green Ky.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Signal Service U.S.A.</p> |
| <b>Nashville,</b>                                  | Nashville 1875            | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army  |

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| <b>Tenn.<br/>March 10<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b>                              | L.R. 41 &45                         | Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith, memorandum Bill of Tennessee Coal and RailRoad Co. for twenty-two bushels coal; \$4.50/100.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>March 12<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b>               | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 32          | Washington D.C. March 12, 1875<br>Received of Lieut. H. Jackson P&D officer signal service U.S.A. the sum of \$69.67/100 in full of my accounts for Pay and Commutation for the month of February 1875.<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergeant Signal Serv. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>March 12,<br/>75.</b>                              | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 34          | Received of Lieut. H. Jackson P&D Officer, Signal Service U.S.A. the sum of \$61.67/100 in full of my accounts for pay and commutation for the month of February 1875.<br>F.X. O'Brien<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>March 12,<br/>1875</b>                             | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 33           | Received of Lieut. H. Jackson, P&D Officer Signal Service, U.S.A. the sum of \$51. 87/100 in full of my accounts for pay and commutation for the month of February 1875.<br>John Healy<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>U.S. Signal<br/>Office<br/>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>March 19,<br/>1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>Circular #24 1875 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report in compliance with circular no. 24.O.C.S.O.C.S. that the elevation used at this station, at the date of its establishments, for the reduction of barometrical observations to sea level was 565 feet.<br>One change in elevation, amounting to minus sixty feet, ten inches , (-60 ft. 10 in.) was made March 1 <sup>st</sup> , 1875 by authority of the Chief Signal Officer of the Army.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergeant Signal Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>March 23<sup>rd</sup>,<br/>1875</b>               | Nashville 1875<br>L.R.39            | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army,<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report in explanation of the failure to report the reduction on Form 24 of the Farmers Bulletin issued to Postmasters since the 9 <sup>th</sup> inst. that it was an oversight of the Sergeant, who will be more watchful in future, and transmit also herewith Forms No. 24 for the weeks  |



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|   |                                       | <p>ending March 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> which I would respectfully ask to have substituted for those of similar dates now on file in the Chief Signal Officer Office. The retained copies in this office have been corrected according by.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Ser. U.S.A</p>                                     |
| <p><b>U.S. Signal Office<br/>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>March 25<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 44, 54</p> | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir<br/>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum, bills of State Insurance Co. for rent. Sixteen 67/100 (\$16.67) dollars, and of Geo. F. Akers for supplies six 35/100 (\$6.35) dollars.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>                     |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>February<br/>27, 1875</b></p>                                  | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 41</p>     | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir<br/>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of State Insurance Co. for rent, nineteen 67/100 (\$19.67) dollars, and of Nashville Gas Light and Coal Co. for gas. Thirty five 70/100(\$35.70) dollars.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servt.<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p> |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>March 26,<br/>1875</b></p>                                     | <p>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>L. R. 54</p>  | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.</p> <p>Sir<br/>I have the honor to enclose herewith, memorandum bill of Tennessee Coal &amp; R.R.Co. for Coal (\$4 50/100) Four 50/100 dollars.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Serv't<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>March 31,<br/>1875</b></p>                                     | <p>Nashville, 1875<br/>L.R. 54</p>    | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.</p> <p>Sir<br/>I have the honor to enclose herewith, memorandum bills of Nashville Gas Light Co. for fourteen 10/100 (\$14. 70/100) dollars, for gas consumed in the month of March.<br/>Also of Gates &amp; Pohlman for repairing regulation clock. One</p>  |

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|  |  | 50/100 dollars (\$1.50/100)<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>April 6,<br/>1875</b>                                 | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 48                          | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, P&D Officer Signal Service, U.S.A. The sum of sixty four 48/100 dollars in settlement of my Pay and Commutation account for the month of March 1875.<br>(Signed) F.X. O'Brien<br>Pat. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>April 6,<br/>1875</b>                                 | Nashville 1875<br>49                               | Received of Lieut Henry Jackson P&D Officer Sig. Ser. U.S.A. The sum of seventy two 98/100 dollars in settlement of my Pay and Commutation accounts for the month of March 1875.<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>April 6<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b>                    | Nashville 1875<br>48                               | Received of Lieut Henry Jackson P&D, Officer, Sig. Ser. U.S.A. the sum of fifty four 13/100 dollars in settlement of my account for pay and commutation for the month of March 1875.<br>(signed) John Healy<br>Pt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>U.S. Signal<br/>Office<br/>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>April 17,<br/>1875</b>    | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 85 – Paid July<br>30, 1875 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of the Tennessee Coal and Rail Road Co. for Coal, four dollars and fifty cents. (\$4.50)<br><br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Telegram<br/>Nashville, T.<br/>April 21<sup>st</sup>,<br/>1875<br/>4 p.m.</b> | Nashville 1875                                     | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br><br>Correction, Nashville-Nip-Anchor<br>(Signed) O'Brien<br>Pvt.   |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn.<br/>April 21,<br/>1875</b>                                | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 51                          | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report in reference to the delay in the receipt of Farmers Bulletins at Jasper – Marion Co. Tenn. The following information, obtained from the Post Office Authorities at this place. During the late floods in the Tennessee river, the branch railroad from Bridgeport, Alabama, to Jasper, was destroyed and has not since been |

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|  |               | <p>rebuilt. The delay results from carrying the mail this distance by stage.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Serv't<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>April 23<sup>rd</sup>,<br/>1875</b></p> | Nashville1875 | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>I have the honor to submit herewith a report of the phenomena which precede storms at this station. As obtained from the records of the station, from citizens who have given the subject attention, and from personal observation. The barometer will generally commence to fall slowly, from six to twenty four hours in advance of a storm. The minimum being reached from one to three hours before the storm reaches its greatest violence. The storm range of the barometer is about one inch, or from 29.25 to 30.25/corrected for temperature and elevation. The action of the thermometer is almost directly contrary to that of the barometer preceding a storm. It will begin to rise, and attain its maximum at about the time the barometer begins to fall and reaches its minimum. The extremes in instrumental indications, come most frequently perhaps in the calm interval between the premonitory symptoms and the storm burst an increase in the humidity of the air is also noted during the twenty four hours preceding a storm. The direction of the wind is by common agreement considered the most reliable indication of coming change in the weather. In general terms the easterly currents are warm and wet, and the westerly currents are cold and dry. The favorite points for these extremes are southeast and northwest.</p> <p>The easterly wind will blow from twelve to seventy two hours before the commencement of a storm, and taken in connection with the falling barometer high temperature and increased moisture, is almost conclusive evidence of approaching change. The cloud which is most valuable in a prognostic point of view is the cirro-stratus at great elevations. They are generally moving very slowly from the west or southwest when first observed and often present a very beautiful appearance at evening twilight. The nearer the wind is in the southeast, and the closer to the south these clouds move from, the closer is the change. When the clouds move directly from the south, they are soon replaced by lower clouds which have the smooth stratus appearance, or if a thunder storm is approaching, the clouds will be in inky masses, with ragged undefined outlines.</p> <p>Hail storms have been observed to approach most frequently from the south or southwest - preceded by southeast wind,</p> |

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|   |  | <p>changing rapidly to northwest upon the commencement of the storm.</p> <p>Among those signs in common use among the people, the ones, most entitled to consideration perhaps, are the tinges of crimson, and rainbow in the sky at early dawn, hearing sound more easily, showing increased moisture in the air, also lunar halos, increased activity and acuteness of some rheumatic or other bodily pain, traceable to the same cause these are all regarded as harbingers of change in the weather by a large class of persons, and some of them are remarkably accurate.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Serv't<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p> |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>April 29,<br/>1875</b>            | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 55<br>Granted   | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>I have the honor to request to be authorized to purchase for the use of this office, one waste basket to cost one <u>50</u> dollars (\$1.50) and one broom to cost forty cents (\$0.40). Those articles now at the station are worn out and unserviceable.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>April 30,<br/>1875</b>            | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 61<br>Jno. Co. & Gas Co.<br>Bills paid – Bill of Thomas not paid.<br>May 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 1875. Bill of Thomas Paid<br>July 30 1875.<br>L.R. 85 | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,</p> <p>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of state insurance co. for rent, sixteen 66/100 dollars (\$16.66) Nashville Gas Light Co. for gas, twelve 90/100 dollars (\$12.90) and C.D. Thomas for supplies, these 90/100 dollars (\$3.90)</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A.</p>   |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>May 11<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b> | Nashville, Tenn.<br>1875<br>L.R. 57  | <p>Received this day of Lieut. H. Jackson Pay &amp; D. Officer Signal Service U.S.A. The owner of sixty three <u>87</u> dollars (\$63.87) in full of accounts for pay and commutation for the month of April 1875.</p> <p>(Signed) F.X. O'Brien<br/>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>May 8-May<br/>11, 1875</b>        | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 58   | <p>Received this day of Lieut. H. Jackson. P &amp; D. Officer Signal Service U.S.A. The sum of seventy one <u>87</u> (\$71.87) dollars in full of my accounts for pay and commutation for the month of April 1875.</p> <p>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |

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| <b>Nashville, Tenn.<br/>May 8 - May 11, 75</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 59       | Received this day of Lieut. H. Jackson P & D Officer Signal Service U.S.A. The sum of fifty three <u>37</u> dollars (\$53.37) in full of my accounts for pay and commutation for the month of April 1875.<br>(Signed)<br>John Healy<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville Tenn.<br/>May 26, 1875</b>        | Nashville Tenn<br>1875          | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to respectfully request to have four hundred (400) forms 5 (telegraphic report) sent to this station. In explanation of this irregular requisition, I have to say that the number of this form sent to the station at the end of the last quarter was 400 less than the requisition was made for.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergeant Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville Tenn.<br/>May 26, 1875</b>        | Nashville 1875                  | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report that Pvt. F. O'Brien signal service U.S.A. printer at this station, met with an accident (falling down several steps of the office stairs) at a late hour yesterday, which prevented his working this morning. Owing to the lateness of the hour, the sergeant was unable to procure a substitute for him and no probabilities were issued. Enclosed is the surgeons certificate from which he was excused from duty.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville Tenn<br/>May 26, 1875</b>         | Nashville 1875<br>One Enclosure | Pvt. F. O'Brien has received injuries which will render him unfit for duty for one day.<br>M.G. Spencer<br>A.A. Surgeon U.S.A.<br>Post Surgeon<br>Ash Barracks   |
| <b>Nashville Tenn<br/>May 31, 1875</b>         | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 70-85    | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of the State Insurance Co. for rent sixteen 67/100 (\$16.67/100)dollars; of Nashville Gas Light Co. for gas, twelve 30/100 (\$12.30/100) dollars; of Queens Lake Ice Co. for Ice. Six (\$6.00/100) dollars and of C.D. Thomas for supplies, two 45/100 (\$2.45/100) dollars.<br>Very Respectfully  |

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| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>June 11, 75<br/>Washington,<br/>D.C.<br/>June 8<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 65  | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson P& D.O.S.S. U.S.A. The sum of sixty four 98/100 dollars, in settlement of my pay and commutation account for the month of May 1875.<br>Francis X. O'Brien<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington,<br/>D.C.<br/>June 8, 1875</b>   | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 66 | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson P&D O.S.D. U.S.A. The sum of fifty four 13/100 dollars in settlement of my account of pay and commutation for the month of May 1875.<br>John Healy<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Washington,<br/>D.C.<br/>June 8<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b>  | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 67 | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson P&D.O. U.S.A.<br>The sum of seventy two 98/100 dollars in settlement of my pay and commutation account for the month of May 1875.<br>A.C. Ford<br>Serg't Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn.<br/>June 13,<br/>1875</b>   | Nashville, 1875            | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report that Pvt. F.X. O'Brien, the printer at this station, was found at a late hour last night in an unconscious condition from the effects of some drug, supposed to be morphine. He is now partially conscious and admits having taken a dose of morphine on Friday (12 <sup>th</sup> inst) to allay the pain of neuralgia, from which he was suffering. Through ignorance of its use, he took too much and was unable as a consequence to attend to his duties yesterday morning. He was, when found, immediately removed to the Post Hospital where is speedily recovering. Pvt. O'Brien has been hitherto, faithful and efficient in the performance of his duties, and I would respectfully request that he be allowed to remain on duty at the station.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn.<br/>June 15,<br/>1875</b>   | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 85 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith, memorandum bill of Roberts and Purvis for recasting Ink roller, two 50/100 dollars, and of John Tabler for one (1) days work, two 00 dollars.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Serv't  |

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| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>June 15,<br/>1875</b>           | Nashville1875             | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report in explanation of the failure of this station to print and issue Farmers Bulletins on this date, that Pvt. O'Brien, the station printer was sick, as shown by the enclosed certificate and that the man who had been engaged as a substitute for him, left the work in an unfinished state, to go (as he said on leaving) after a drink, and did not return. In waiting for his return the assistant on duty, was unable to complete the work to find a printer at so late an hour to asst. him. I have the honor to report further that Pvt. O'Brien is now sufficiently recovered to be able to resume his duties and no further trouble is anticipated.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn.<br/>June 22,<br/>1875</b>            | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 72 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report that the form 5 upon which the A.M. report of the 19 <sup>th</sup> inst. was written, has been sent to the Office Chief Signal Officer; but that the recollection of the Sergeant is that the word, (the sixth of the report) was written very plainly, "Bucher".<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>June 23<sup>rd</sup><br/>1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 71 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report that the Post office authorities here, state that the Farmers Bulletins are sent from this place at 3:15 p.m. and arrive at caskeys station, Christian Co. Ky at 6:14 p.m. of the same days.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergeant Signal Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>June 29,<br/>1875</b>             | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 73 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum Bill (receipted) at State Insurance Co. for rent for the month of June 1875. Sixteen 67/100 dollars (\$16.67)<br>Very Respectfully  |

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| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn.<br/>June 29<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875<br/>5 p.m.</b> | Telegram –<br>Nashville 1875 | To the Chief Signal Officer<br>Washington<br>Correction – Nashville cuff treble<br>Ford<br>Sergt.  |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>June 30,<br/>1875</b>                        | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 85    | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of<br>Nashville Gas Light Co. for gas – Nine (\$9.00) dollars and of<br>Queens Lake Ice Co. for ice, six (\$6.00) dollars.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergeant Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>July 3<sup>rd</sup>,<br/>1875</b>            | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 76    | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report in reply to a communication from<br>O.C.S.O. dated Washington D.C. June 29 <sup>th</sup> 1875, that the usual<br>copies of Farmers Bulletins were printed and sent out to Post<br>Offices and to O.C.S.O. from this station on April 28 1875.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Service U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn.<br/>July 3<sup>rd</sup><br/>1875</b>              | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 76    | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report in reply to a communication from<br>O.C.S.O. dated Washington D.C. June 29 <sup>th</sup> , 1875, that the usual<br>copies of Farmers Bulletins were printed and sent out to Post<br>Offices and to O.C.S.O. from this station on April 28, 1875.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Service U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn</b>  | Nashville, 1875              | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to submit herewith a report of the operations<br>of the signal station at Nashville, Tenn. For the six months<br>ending June 30 <sup>th</sup> 1875. The routine duties of the station have<br>not been subject to material change during this period. At its<br>beginning, the number of daily Bulletins issued was twelve<br>(12) a.m., twelve (12) p.m. and three midnight with twelve |



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|  |  | <p>river reports, and two local newspaper reports. This number has continued unchanged and uninterrupted up to date. At the beginning of the year, two hundred and twenty four (224) Post office Bulletins were printed daily and two copies mailed to each of ninety seven (97) postmasters, in the states of Tennessee Alabama and Kentucky. On and after March 10<sup>th</sup> this number was reduced one half, one copy only, being sent to each Postmaster. Ninety nine (99) Farmers Bulletins are now issued and mailed daily.</p> <p>The morning afternoon and regular P.M. river reports are posted in the Bulletin frames of the office at prominent places through the city, and one copy of the Farmer's Bulletin is placed on each board daily except Sundays.</p> <p>The three regular telegraphic reports have been continued daily with the following exceptions, afternoon reports discontinued from March 1<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup> and from May 1<sup>st</sup> to date. The "Union and American" daily newspaper, has continued to publish regularly and accurately in tabular form, the reports of the office, including the river and local reports, giving up to March 16<sup>th</sup> the midnight telegraphic report, after that time the afternoon report was printed in preference, owing to the reduced number of reports received at midnight. The "Banner" has also published irregularly the local and river reports of the office. The records of the office have been used freely by reporters of both papers, to obtain desired meteorological information. The sergeant has been twice summoned a witness in important Rail-Road and Insurance lawsuits and on several occasions has he been called to give information which has proved of direct value to those receiving it.</p> <p>The one occasion the agent of the Nashville and Chattanooga R.R. wished to know the direction and force of the wind, on a certain day at a given hour. With this knowledge which was favorable to the R.R. Co., he was enabled to prevent the institution of a suit for damages caused by fire near the track of the R.R. and alleged to have originated from the sparks or cinders of a passing engine. A gentleman engaged in building windmills through this section, requested to have a table of the winds velocity, at every observation during two years, prepared and he has since stated that its value to heir has been great.</p> <p>The regular monthly report, form 22 is a very popular publication, and twelve (12) copies are made and distributed monthly.</p> <p>The Farmers of the vicinity, have this season manifested a greatly increased interest in the service. Many now call regularly at the office, for the official report of rainy all and temperature with such other information as the sergeant is able to furnish, of an interesting nature. Rain gauges, thermometers, and sometimes barometers, are asked for, so</p> |
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|  |                                   | <p>anxious are they to obtain and use for themselves, reliable instruments. All these applicants are referred to Mr. Jas. Green, NY. The expenses of the station have been as light, it is believed, as it was possible to make them. Strict economy has been exercised in the use of Coal, Gas, Ice and other allowences, and application to have made, some really desirable and almost necessary improvements in the office, has been repeatedly postponed.</p> <p>Sergeant Albert C. Ford has remained in charge of the station, and on duty constantly, during the 24 months.</p> <p>Private John Healy has been on the station as assistant during the entire time. Private Healy has proved reliable and efficient in the discharge of every duty. He has recited regularly from the text books and furnished the entire prescribed course creditably.</p> <p>Private Frances X. O'Brien, the printer, has been at the station during the half year. He is skillful in his trade, attention to his duty and takes an interest in his work which is commendable. He recites regularly, and is familiar with all station duties, much difficulty has been experienced in getting ink rollers recast at the station. Prices for such work are high, and it is often done so poorly as to render the rollers useless even when new.</p> <p>The river reports of the service continue to be of interest to steamboatmen and shippers. The Cotton Exchange have daily reports posted in their rooms, besides a condensed weekly local report, and the Board of Health publish weekly with the Mortuary Report, a very full meteorological report. These are only a few of the many classes and organizations which make use of the weather reports almost constantly and with increasing interest. All of which is respectfully submitted.</p> <p>Very Respectfully.<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Serv, U.S.A.<br/>Nashville, Tennessee<br/>June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1875.</p> |
| <p><b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>July 16,<br/>1875<br/>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>July 13,<br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 79</p> | <p>Received this day of Lieut. Henry Jackson P.T.D. Office Sig. Ser. U.S.A. The sum of forty six <u>87</u> dollars in settlement of my accounts for pay and commutation for the month of June 1875.</p> <p>(Signed) John Healy<br/>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |
| <p><b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>July 13,<br/>1875</b></p>  | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 80</p> | <p>Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, Pay &amp; D. Officer Signal Service U.S.A. The sum of sixty one <u>37</u> dollars in settlement of my account for pay and commutation for the month of June 1875.</p> <p>A.C. Ford</p>   |

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| <b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>July 13,<br/>1875</b>            | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 81  | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, Pay & D Officer Sig. Ser. U.S.A. The sum of fifty seven <u>37</u> dollars in settlement of my account for Pay and Commutation for the month of June, 1875.<br>Fr. X. O'Brien<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn.<br/>July 18,<br/>1875</b>            | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 82  | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br><br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to report that the cipher word in the A.M. telegraphic report of the 14 <sup>th</sup> inst. from this station, was omitted in enciphering the message and the mistake was not discovered, the word should have been "damp."<br>Greater care and familiarity with the new cipher will cause similar errors to be avoided in future reports from this station.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville<br/>July 21,<br/>1875 - 8:10<br/>a.m.</b>      | Telegram sent<br>before closing of<br>Signal Circuit<br>July 21, 1875 -<br>7a.m. | Correction<br>Nashville mock dale<br>Ford<br>Sergeant  |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>July 28,<br/>1875</b>             | Nashville, Tenn.<br>L.R. 84 1875<br>L.R. 86                                      | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to report that the Post Office authorities here, give 7:20 p.m. of the day of issue, as the earliest hour at which the Farmers Bulletins can reach Nortonsville, Hopkins Co. Ky.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 12,<br/>midnight</b>  | Telegram Nashville<br>1875   | To the Chief Signal Officer<br>Washington<br>Private Healy sick<br>Ford<br>Sergeant  |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>July 31<sup>st</sup><br/>1875</b> | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 100  | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir,<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bills of the State Insurance Co. for rent & water tax, nineteen <u>66</u> (\$19.66) dollars. Chas. H. Ryman for Ice, nine (\$9.00) dollars,   |

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|   |                                   | <p>Nashville Gas Light Co. eight <u>70</u> (\$8.70) dollars, and of Nashville "Union and American", for casting ink roller two 50/100 (\$2.50) dollars.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <p><b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 1<sup>st</sup><br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville, 1875</p>            | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,<br/>I have the honor to report that Private John Healy is sick and unable to attend to his duties in consequence. His illness is pronounced only temporary by the surgeon, who expects to have him able to return to duty within three or four days, In the meantime the station duties can be fully performed by the sergeant and remaining assistant.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p> |
| <p><b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>Aug. 1<sup>st</sup><br/>1875</b></p>   | <p>Nashville, 1875</p>            | <p>Private John Healy Signal Service U.S.A. on duty at this station, has this day been taken on sick report, in consequence of an attack of Malarial Fever.</p> <p>(Signed)<br/>Jas. F. Weeds<br/>Surgeon U.S.A.<br/>Post Surgeon</p>  |
| <p><b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 5<sup>th</sup><br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville Tenn<br/>L.R. 95</p> | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.</p> <p>Sir<br/>I have the honor to transmit herewith, memorandum bill of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railway, for freight and other charges on one box printing paper two <u>30</u> dollars (\$2.30). The bill is receipted and has been paid.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |

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| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 9<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b> | Nashville – 1875<br>Bide, Circular No.<br>40, Ole S.O. c.s. L.R.<br>93 | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,</p> <p>In compliance with instructions contained in Circular no. 40 O.C.S.O. c.s. This day received, I have the honor to report that twenty seven (27) manifold bulletins are issued daily (except Sundays) at this station, and the following disposition made of each.</p> <p>A.M. Reports (12 copies)<br/>Posted in _____ Posted By _____</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="659 583 1425 1167"> <tr><td>1 State Insurance Building</td><td>Public Frame</td><td>Messenger</td></tr> <tr><td>2 Commercial ""</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>3 N.U. Telegraph Office</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>4. Cotton Exchange Rooms</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>5. Maxwell House (Hotel)</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>6. Public Library</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>7. Commercial Hotel</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>8. Post Office</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>9 Capitol</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>10 Fergusons Steamboat Ag'y</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>Rural Sun Office</td><td>No Frame</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>Office Copy</td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table> <p>P.M. Report (12 copies)</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="659 1241 1425 1717"> <tr><td>1 State Insurance Building</td><td>Public Frame</td><td>Messenger</td></tr> <tr><td>2. N.U. Telegraph Co. ""</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>3. Cotton Exchange ""</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>4. Maxwell House</td><td>Public Frame</td><td>Messenger</td></tr> <tr><td>5. Public Library</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>6. Commercial Hotel</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>7. Post Office</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>8. Fergusons Steamboat Ag'y</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>9. Byers "" (steamboat)</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>"Union &amp; American"</td><td>No frame</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>"Banner"</td><td>""</td><td>""</td></tr> <tr><td>Office Copy</td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table> | 1 State Insurance Building | Public Frame | Messenger | 2 Commercial "" | "" | "" | 3 N.U. Telegraph Office | "" | "" | 4. Cotton Exchange Rooms | "" | "" | 5. Maxwell House (Hotel) | "" | "" | 6. Public Library | "" | "" | 7. Commercial Hotel | "" | "" | 8. Post Office | "" | "" | 9 Capitol | "" | "" | 10 Fergusons Steamboat Ag'y | "" | "" | Rural Sun Office | No Frame | "" | Office Copy |  |  | 1 State Insurance Building | Public Frame | Messenger | 2. N.U. Telegraph Co. "" | "" | "" | 3. Cotton Exchange "" | "" | "" | 4. Maxwell House | Public Frame | Messenger | 5. Public Library | "" | "" | 6. Commercial Hotel | "" | "" | 7. Post Office | "" | "" | 8. Fergusons Steamboat Ag'y | "" | "" | 9. Byers "" (steamboat) | "" | "" | "Union & American" | No frame | "" | "Banner" | "" | "" | Office Copy |  |  |
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| <p><b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 10,<br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 87</p> | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.<br/>I have the honor to report that the highest point reached by the water in the river at this point during the present high water, was on July 19<sup>th</sup>. When it was twenty nine feet seven inches above the zero of the gauge, or twelve feet five inches below the "danger line" as given in the circular.<br/>After diligent inquiry, the Sergeant can learn of no damage done by the water in this vicinity, except the overflow of a Sulphur spring, which is a source of considerable revenue at this season. Mr. Franklin, the proprietor, says his loss is slight.<br/>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p> |                    |          |           |          |    |    |             |  |  |
| <p><b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 10,<br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 89</p> | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.<br/>Sir<br/>I have the honor to report that the Form 22 for the month of July at this station, was put in the Post Office here, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August. The Assistant John Healy being sick and unable to work on that day, (Sunday Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>) the services of Mr. John Dyas, a citizen were secured, to assist the Sergeant in making the necessary calculations and comparisons.<br/>The Form 22 was completed and mailed in the same envelope with Form 32 (duplicates) in the evening of the 1<sup>st</sup> inst.<br/>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>                                       |                    |          |           |          |    |    |             |  |  |
| <p><b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 17,<br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 94</p> | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.<br/>Sir,<br/>I have the honor to report that the records of this office do not show whether or not the cipher word for velocity of wind was omitted on the 13<sup>th</sup> inst. but it is believed that the report was made out correctly.</p>   |                    |          |           |          |    |    |             |  |  |

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| <b>Nashville T.<br/>August 17,<br/>1875 - 11<br/>a.m.</b>                                     | Nashville 1875                | Telegram -<br>Chief Signal Officers<br>Washington D.C.<br>No pay received for July<br>Can I draw on you.<br>Ford<br>Sergeant   |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 22,<br/>1875<br/>Washington<br/>D.C. August<br/>18, 1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 96     | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson P&D Officer, Signal Service<br>U.S.A. The sum of \$64.98 in settlement of my account for Pay<br>and Commutation for the month of July 1875.<br>(Signed)F.X. O'Brien<br>Privt. Sig Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn 1875<br/>Washington<br/>D.C. August<br/>18, 1875</b>                    | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 97     | Received of Lieut. H. Jackson Pay & D. Officer Sig. Ser. U.S.A.<br>The sum of \$54.13 in settlement of my account for Pay and<br>Commutation for the month of July 1875.<br>John Healy<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C. August<br/>18, 1875</b>  | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 98    | Received of Lieut. H. Jackson, P&D Officer, Sig. Ser. U.S.A. The<br>sum of \$72.98 in settlement of my accounts of Pay and<br>Commutation, for the month of July 1875.<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 23<sup>rd</sup><br/>1875</b>                                 | Nashville 1875<br>Circular 43 | To the Chief Signal Office of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report that after careful comparison of<br>that portion of the report on "Local and other instrumental<br>indications of Approaching storms", relating to this station,<br>with my experience, I find the latter to accord with the<br>statements of the report fully and exactly.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Serg't Sig. Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>August 31<br/>1875</b>  | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 110    | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to transmit herewith, memorandum bills of<br>the State Insurance Co. for rent of office for September 1875,<br>sixteen <u>67</u> dollars: of the Nashville Gas Light Co. for gas, nine<br>dollars; of Chas. H. Ryman for Ice, nine dollars, and of C.D.<br>Thomas for supplies, five <u>60</u> dollars.<br>Very Respectfully   |

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| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn<br/>September<br/>6, 1875</b>  | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 101 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to report that the farmers Bulletins can be printed here, by responsible parties not connected with the service, for thirty (\$30.00) dollars per month. All the conditions mentioned to be complied with.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>Sept. 6,<br/>1875</b>  | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 104 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to make application to be placed on duty in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington D.C. I would respectfully submit, that I have served more than two years on this station, and that my home is in Washington.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>(Signed) Frances X O'Brien<br>Private Signal Service U.S.A.<br>Through Serg't in Charge |
| Endorsement  | Nashville 1875             | Respectfully forwarded to the Chief Signal Officer of the Army, Private O'Brien has been uniformly faithful and efficient in the performance of his duties while on this station, and his conduct has been in every way most praiseworthy.   |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Sept.<br/>13, 1875<br/>Washington<br/>D.C. Sept.<br/>10<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 107 | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson Property and Disbursing Officer, Signal Service U.S.A. The sum of fifty four, 12/100 dollars, in settlement of my Pay and Commutation account for the month of August 1875.<br>(Signed) Jno. Healy<br>Private Signal Service U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C. Sept.<br/>10, 1875</b>  | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 109 | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, Property and Disbursing Officer, Signal Service U.S.A. The sum of sixty four 97/100 dollars in settlement of my account for Pay and Commutation for the month of August 1875.<br>(Signed) F.X. O'Brien<br>Private Signal Service U.S.A.  |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C. Sept.<br/>10, 1875</b>  | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 108 | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, Property and Disbursing Officer, Signal Service U.S.A., the sum of Seventy two 87/100 dollars in settlement of my Pay and Commutation account for the month of August 1875.<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Service. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville,</b>  | Nashville 1875 -           | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army  |



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| <p><b>Tenn.<br/>Sept. 21,<br/>1875</b></p>                                | <p>L.R. III</p>                                 | <p>Washington D.C.</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>I have the honor to submit herewith, estimate of B.F. Leman for Kalsomining the walls of the signal office in this city, and would respectfully request authority to have the work done. The State Insurance Co. will expend about fifty 00/100 (50) dollars on the office in painting and repairs.</p> <p>I would also respectfully submit that twenty one (21) yards of Cocoa matting, on the floor of the office is work out and unfit for use, and request authority to purchase that quantity at 80 cents per yard.</p> <p>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A.</p>   |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>September<br/>23<sup>rd</sup> 1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 112<br/>Personal</p> | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,</p> <p>I have the honor to respectfully request permission to get married if the making such a contract on the part of a Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A. is compatible with the interests of the service. I would submit that I expect to graduate in Medicine in February 1876, and would like to remain on this station as long as I give satisfaction, without regard to expiration of term of service.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Sept.<br/>30, 1875</b></p>                     | <p>Nashville, 1875<br/>L.R. III.121.</p>        | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,</p> <p>I have the honor to transmit herewith, memorandum bills of the State Insurance Co. for rent of office room for October 1875, sixteen 66 dollars, Benson Brown &amp; Co. for twenty one (21) yards Cocoa Matting, nineteen 80 dollars; Nashville Gas Light Co. for Gas Eight 40 dollars, B.F. Leman for Kalsomining office walls, eight 00 dollars; and of Adams Express Co. for freight on one package one 75 dollars. The latter is recieved, the Sergeant being unable to obtain the package without paying the charges.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A.</p> |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>October 4<sup>th</sup><br/>1875</b></p>    | <p>Nashville 1875</p>                           | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.</p> <p>Sir,</p> <p>I have the honor to request to be furnished with a new copy of the "Instructions to Observer Sergeants" as the one now in</p>   |

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|   |                             | <p>use at this station has become so worn as to destroy a portion of the cipher used by the small river stations. (special)</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A.</p>  |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. October 4, 1875</b> | Nashville 1875              | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,<br/>I have the honor to report that in the box containing the quarterly supplies for this station, there was no Forms No. 3 "B" or Forms No. 26 (river report). I would respectfully request to have these forms (2000 No. 3 "B" and 1000 No. 26) sent to the station as soon as possible, as there is but a small supply on hand.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A.</p> |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. Oct. 12, 1875</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 134  | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,<br/>I have the honor to enclose herewith, recieved bill of the Adams Express Co. for one Box from Cincinnati, O., containing forty <math>\frac{3}{4}</math> (40 <math>\frac{3}{4}</math>) pounds of type. The amount of the freight charges is one <math>\frac{35}{100}</math> (\$1.35) dollars. The bill is for this amount also.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Serv't<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>         |
| <b>Nashville, Tenn. Oct. 14, 1875</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 116  | <p>Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, Property and Disbursing Officer, Signal Service U.S.A. The sum of sixty three <math>\frac{88}{100}</math> dollars (\$63.88) in settlement of my pay and commutation account for the month of September 1875.</p> <p>Frances X. O'Brien<br/>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |
| <b>Washington, D.C. Oct. 11, 1875</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 117  | <p>Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson. Property and Disbursing Officer, Signal Service U.S.A. The sum of fifty three <math>\frac{38}{100}</math> dollars (\$53.38/100) in settlement of my Pay and Commutation account for the month of September 1875.</p> <p>John Healy<br/>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |
| <b>Washington D.C. Oct. 11, 1875</b>    | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 118 | <p>Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson. Pay and disbursing Officer, Signal Service U.S.A. The Sum of seventy one <math>\frac{88}{100}</math> (\$71.88) dollars, in settlement of my pay and commutation account for the month of September 1875.</p> <p>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Signal Service. U.S.A.</p>   |

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| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>October 18<sup>th</sup><br/>1875</b></p> | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 134</p>               | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.<br/>Sir<br/>I have the honor to enclose herewith, memorandum bill of<br/>Cyrus Clark Sr. for one third of one ton of Coal three (\$3.00)<br/>dollars.<br/>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>October 20,<br/>1875</b></p>             | <p>Nashville, 1875<br/>L.R. 122<br/>L.R. 136</p> | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.<br/>Sir,<br/>In view of the expiration of term of service of Pvt. John Healy,<br/>Signal Service U.S.A. Assistant at this station, in November, I<br/>have the honor to ask, at his request, if he will be allowed to<br/>re-enlist on station. There is a military post here, where he<br/>could be sworn in.<br/>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Service<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Signal Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Oct.<br/>26, 1875</b></p>                    | <p>Nashville 1875</p>                            | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.<br/>Sir<br/>I have the honor to report, that Private F.X. O'Brien, the<br/>printer at this station, was taken suddenly ill this morning,<br/>while in the act of preparing the press and type for printing<br/>the Farmers Bulletins. He was unable to complete the work,<br/>and as a consequence no Farmers Bulletins were issued on<br/>this date. He has not yet recovered, and a substitute has been<br/>employed for him. Until he is well, which will probably be in<br/>one or two days.<br/>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>                                       |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Oct.<br/>30<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b></p>       | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.S. 82. 134.</p>          | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.<br/>Sir<br/>I have the honor to enclose herewith, memorandum bill of<br/>N.S.B. Sparkman for four (\$4.00/100) dollars, being in<br/>payment for printing done at this station. Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup><br/>1875, while the station printer was sick. Accompanying this<br/>bill is the certificate of the Medical Officer at this post, Asst.<br/>Surgeon L.M. Maus, U.S.A.<br/>Also enclosed herewith is memorandum bill of the State<br/>Insurance Co. for rent of office room for November 1875,<br/>sixteen 67/100 (\$16.67/100) and of the Nashville Gas Light<br/>Co. for Gas, twelve (\$12.00) dollars.</p> |

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| <b>Post of<br/>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Oct.<br/>30<sup>th</sup> 1875</b>                                | Certificate One<br>Enclosure<br>Nashville, Tenn.<br>1875 – L.S. 81 | Chief Signal Officer U.S. Army<br>Washington City D.C.<br>I have the honor to state that Private Francis X. O'Brien, Signal Service U.S. Army, stationed at Nashville, Tenn. Was unfit for duty from the 26 <sup>th</sup> until the 29 <sup>th</sup> of this month, on account of sickness.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>(signed) L.M. Mans<br>Asst. Serg. U.S.A.<br>Post. Surg.                  |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>November<br/>8<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b>                                    | Nashville 1875   | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day of a circular letter, directing that the letter of transmittal in the new edition of "Instructions to Observer Sergeants", be removed there – from, without defacing or otherwise mutilating the book.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Serv't<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Nov.<br/>15, 1875<br/>Washington<br/>D.C. Nov.<br/>12<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 128   | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, Pay and disbursing Officer Sig. Ser. U.S.A. The sum of sixty four 97/100 dollars in settlement of my account for Pay and Commutation for the month of October 1875.<br>(signed) Frances X. O'Brien<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C. Nov. 12,<br/>1875</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 129   | Received of Lieut. H. Jackson Pay and disbursing officer, Sig. Ser. U.S.A. The sum of fifty four (12/100) dollars, in settlement of my account for Pay and Commutation, for the month of October, 1875.<br>(Signed) John Healy<br>Pvt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C. Nov. 12,<br/>1875</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 130   | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, pay and disbursing Officer Sig. Ser. U.S.A. the sum of seventy two 97/100 dollars, in settlement of my account for Pay and Commutation for the month of October 1875.<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Nov.<br/>19<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b>   | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 148  | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to enclose herewith memorandum bill of   |

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|   |   | <p>Cyrus Clarke Sr. for one half ton coal. Three (\$3.00/100) dollars.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Srgt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Nov.<br/>19<sup>th</sup>, 1875<br/>9:15 a.m.</b></p> | <p>Telegram-<br/>Nashville 1875,<br/>L.R. 132</p> | <p>Chief Signal Officer<br/>Washington</p> <p>I am ordered to Washington for discharge, can I draw on you for fifty dollars.</p> <p>John Healy<br/>Private S.S. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Nov.<br/>24, 1875</b></p>                            | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 133</p>                | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Sir,</p> <p>I have the honor to report, in explanation of the morning telegraphic report of the 21<sup>st</sup> inst. that the mistake was made in this office. The report was made out in haste and the word "entitle" was taken instead of "mood" which means the same thing except the hour. The error was not discovered in time to send a correction.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergeant Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p> |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>,<br/>1875</b></p>           | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 135</p>                | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>I have the honor to report that the cipher word "nose" which was written in the 11 p.m. telegraphic report of this station on the 24<sup>th</sup> inst. was the proper word, according the cipher book on this station, to express the barometrical reading, which was 30.39 inches.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your obedient servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Serg't Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>   |
| <p><b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Nov.<br/>30<sup>th</sup> 1875</b></p>                | <p>Nashville 1875<br/>L.R. 148</p>                | <p>To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br/>Washington D.C.</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>I have the honor to transmit herewith, memorandum bills of the State Insurance Co. for rent of office room for Decemeber 1875, sixteen 66/ dollars. Nashville Gas Light Co. for Gas. Twelve/00 dollars and of C.S. Thomas for supplies seven 10/dollars.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Serv't<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p>  |

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| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn. Dec.<br/>1<sup>st</sup> 1875.<br/>10 P.M.</b>                                 | Telegram –<br>Nashville 1875 L.R.<br>136                              | The Chief Signal Officer<br>Washington<br>Private Healy has returned and reported for duty.<br>Ford Sergt.  |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn. Dec.<br/>13<sup>th</sup>, 1875</b>  | Nashville Tenn.<br>1875<br>L.R. 148 Vol. II 75<br>L.R. 12 Vol. III 76 | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to transmit herewith memorandum bill of<br>Cyrus (could be Leyrus) Clark Sr. for two thirds (2/3) of one<br>ton of Coal six (\$6.00) dollars.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergeant Signal Service U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn.<br/>Dec. 14,<br/>1875</b>  | Nashville, 1875<br>L.R. 147<br>L.R. 12. Vol. 3.76                     | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to request authority to have the stove on this<br>station, moved into the office, and to purchase pipe enough to<br>carry the smoke to the chimney where the stove now is. I<br>would respectfully submit that the stove being outside the<br>room and some distance from the door, does not keep the<br>room comfortable in cold weather. The enclosed estimate of<br>Phillips Buttorff & Co. cover the whole expense necessary in<br>making the proposed change. Eight 25/100 dollars.<br>Very Respectfully<br>Your Obedient Servant<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergeant Sig. Ser. U.S.A. |
| <b>Nashville,<br/>Tenn. Dec.<br/>14<sup>th</sup>, 1875<br/>Washington<br/>D.C. Dec. 11,<br/>1875</b> | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 140  | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson Pay and Disbursing Officer,<br>Signal Ser. U.S.A. The sum of eleven 47/100 dollars, in<br>settlement of my Pay and Commutation account for the month<br>of November 1875.<br>Jno. Healy<br>Priv't Signal Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>Dec. 11,<br/>1875</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 142  | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson P&D O., Sig. Ser. U.S.A. The<br>sum of sixty three 88/100 dollars in settlement of my Pay and<br>Commutation account for the month of November, 1875.<br>Frances X O'Brien<br>Prv't Sig. Ser. U.S.A.   |
| <b>Washington<br/>D.C.<br/>Dec. 11,<br/>1875</b>   | Nashville 1875<br>L.R. 141  | Received of Lieut. Henry Jackson, P&D.O. Sig. Ser. U.S.A. The<br>sum of seventy one 88/100 dollars in settlement of my Pay<br>and Commutation account for the month of November, 1875.<br>A.C. Ford<br>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.  |
| <b>Nashville<br/>Tenn.<br/>January 1<sup>st</sup><br/>1876</b>                                       | Nashville 1876<br>L.R. 12 1876  | To the Chief Signal Officer of the Army<br>Washington D.C.<br>Sir<br>I have the honor to transmit herewith memorandum bills of  |

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|  |  | <p>the State Insurance Co. for rent of room for January 1876; sixteen 67 dollars, Nashville Gas Light Co. for gas, twelve 30 dollars, and of Phillipps, Buttorf &amp; Co. for stove pipe, eight 25 dollars. The latter being authorized by communication from O.C.S.O. dated Dec 18, 1875.</p> <p>Very Respectfully<br/>Your Obedient Servant<br/>A.C. Ford<br/>Sergt. Sig. Ser. U.S.A.</p> |
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