

CIRCULAR.]

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF TENNESSEE,
In the Field, Lee's Tan-yard, September 18, 1863.

I. Major-General Walker's division will move to Alexander's Bridge or Byram's Ford, and there cross the Chickamauga.

II. Major-General Buckner will move on Thedford's Ford, and there cross the river. Both these columns will be put in motion at 6.30 a. m. to-day. None but ambulances and artillery wagons will be taken with these columns.

III. Lieutenant-General Polk will move at the same hour, and by pressing engage the attention of the enemy at Gordon's Mills, and be prepared to move by his right flank to cross the river at the nearest ford.

IV. The cavalry of General Pegram will cover the front of Walker and Buckner, and that of General Armstrong the front of General Polk.

By command of General Bragg :

GEORGE WM. BRENT,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF TENNESSEE,
In the Field, Lee's Tan-yard, September 18, 1863.

[General POLK :]

Brig. Gen. B. R. Johnson, commanding Hood's division, has crossed at Reed's Bridge, and is now on the west bank of the Chickamauga. Generals Walker and Buckner have been directed to cross at once and co-operate with him.

I am, general, your obedient servant,

KINLOCH FALCONER,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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HEADQUARTERS POLK'S CORPS,
Rock Spring, September 18, 1863.

I. Major-General Cheatham will at once put his column in motion, right in front, on the Long Hollow road and move so as to effect a crossing at Chickamauga Creek between Gordon's Mills and Thedford's Ford.

II. Brigadier-General Anderson will put his column in motion, right in front, and move via Dr. Anderson's, on the Lee and Gordon's Mills road, so as to [sic] the enemy at Gordon's Mills.

The movement of both columns will be so made as to conform to the requirements of circular from army headquarters of this date.

By command of Lieutenant-General Polk :

[THOS. M. JACK,]
Assistant Adjutant-General.

CHEATHAM'S HEADQUARTERS,

One Mile from Hunt's Ford. September 18, 1863—7 p. m.

[Lieutenant-General POLK :]

GENERAL : I find General Cheatham at this point awaiting the movement of General Buckner's corps. General B. has possession

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 No. 245.) *In the Field, La Fayette, Ga.,*
 * * * * * *September 16, 1863.*



VII. Buckner's corps and Walker's reserves will move at daylight to-morrow and take position from Pea Vine Church, north along Pea Vine Creek.

VIII. Polk's corps will move at 8 a. m. to-morrow and take post on Buckner's left, and occupy the ground to near Glass' Mill, so as to command that crossing.

IX. Forrest's cavalry will cover the front and flank of both these movements.

X. Wheeler's cavalry, leaving a small force to observe the road south, will pass through Dug to Catlett's Gap, press the enemy, secure some prisoners if possible, and join our flank near Glass' Mill.

XI. Reed's Bridge, Byram's Ford, Alexander's Bridge, and the fords next above, will be seized and held by our cavalry.

XII. Hill's corps will occupy the gaps across Pigeon Mountain and observe the road to the south, and be ready to move at a moment's notice.

XIII. All extra wagon trains will be sent across Taylor's Ridge, near Ringgold.

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XVIII. The Reserve Artillery will march to-morrow morning at 8 a. m. with Polk's corps, and will be under the orders of Lieutenant-General Polk, to whom Major Robertson will report.

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By command of General Bragg :

GEORGE WM. BRENT,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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HEADQUARTERS POLK'S CORPS,
La Fayette, September 16, 1863.

Major-General Hindman will move his division along the Crawfish Valley road, left in front, at 8 o'clock a. m. to-morrow, and take position with his left resting on Pigeon Mountain at Worthen's Gap, from whence he will extend himself eastwardly in the direction of Pea Vine Church until his right rests upon Cheatham's left.

Major-General Cheatham will move at the same hour, right in front, on the Ridge road leading to Rock Spring Church. He will proceed past the church to the neighborhood of Pea Vine Church, where his right will rest on Buckner's or Walker's left. The left of his line will be extended in the direction of Worthen's Gap until it meets or rests upon Hindman's right.

Both division commanders will order ordnance, ambulance, and baggage trains to accompany them.

By command of Lieutenant-General Polk :

[THOS. M. JACK,]
Assistant Adjutant-General.