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that made life away from home very tough to bear, however this regiment is to be commended for their commitment to the Union, to the state of Maine and to their families most of all. This book is **HIGHLY** recommended to all Civil War Readers and once you start reading it, it will be hard to put down.

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