

# SHERMAN'S CAROLINA CAMPAIGN THROUGH FAIRFIELD COUNTY, FEBRUARY 1865

All troop movements of General Sherman's Army, Military Division of the Mississippi, and Kilpatrick's Third Division Cavalry, are from reports and correspondence cited in Series 1, Volume 47 of *The War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies* (Washington, DC, 1895; reprint by The National Historical Society, 1971).

**MAP OF FAIRFIELD CO. SOUTH CAROLINA.**  
 Surveyed by Wm. H. & B. E. ELKIN, 1876  
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 Scale 2 Miles per Inch  
 396 Square Miles.

## Organization of the Union Forces commanded by Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman, Jan-April 1865

### Right Wing

- (Army of the Tennessee)
- Maj. Gen. Oliver O. Howard
- Fifteenth Army Corps
- Maj. Gen. John A. Logan
- Seventeenth Army Corps
- Maj. Gen. Frank P. Blair, Jr.

### Left Wing

- (Army of Georgia)
- Maj. Gen. Henry W. Slocum
- Fourteenth Army Corps
- Bvt. Maj. Gen. Jefferson C. Davis
- Twentieth Army Corps
- Bvt. Maj. Gen. Alpheus S. Williams

### Cavalry

- Third Division
- Bvt. Maj. Gen. Judson Kilpatrick

## 15th Corps Hdqrs. & Encampments

- 1st Division; Feb. 21; Gen. Woods near Longtown: "My headquarters are within one mile of the cross-roads at Longtown."
- 3rd Division; Feb. 21; Gen. Smith at Harrison's Cross-Roads: "Headquarters are at the fork of the roads"
- Right Wing Headquarters; Feb. 21; Gen. Howard near Harrison's Cross-Roads: "My headquarters are at the house of Dr. Boyd, near the cross-road"
- 2nd Division; Feb. 21; Gen. Hazen at Dutchman's Creek: "My headquarters are about 400 yards east of the crossing."
- 4th Division; Feb. 21; Gen. Corse at Dutchman's Creek "south bank of Dutchman's Creek."
- 4th Division; Feb. 22; Gen. Corse near Peay's Ferry and Wateree River
- 1st Division; Feb. 22; Gen. Woods near Peay's Ferry and Wateree River: "My headquarters are at Peay's Plantation."

## 17th Corps Hdqrs. & Encampments

- 17th Corps Headquarters; Feb. 20; Gen. Blair; Doko; The 17th Corps encamped at Doko on the railroad on Feb. 20 after crossing into Fairfield County.
- 17th Corps Headquarters; Feb. 20; Gen. Blair; Level Post-Office, near Doko: "My command is encamped on the railroad fifteen miles from Columbia."
- 17th Corps Headquarters; Feb. 21; Gen. Blair; Simpson's Turnout & R.R. Station: "My command is encamped at this point, six miles from Winnsborough."
- 17th Corps Headquarters; Feb. 22; Gen. Blair; Poplar Springs: "to Winnsborough, through which place the command moved and encamped at Poplar Springs."

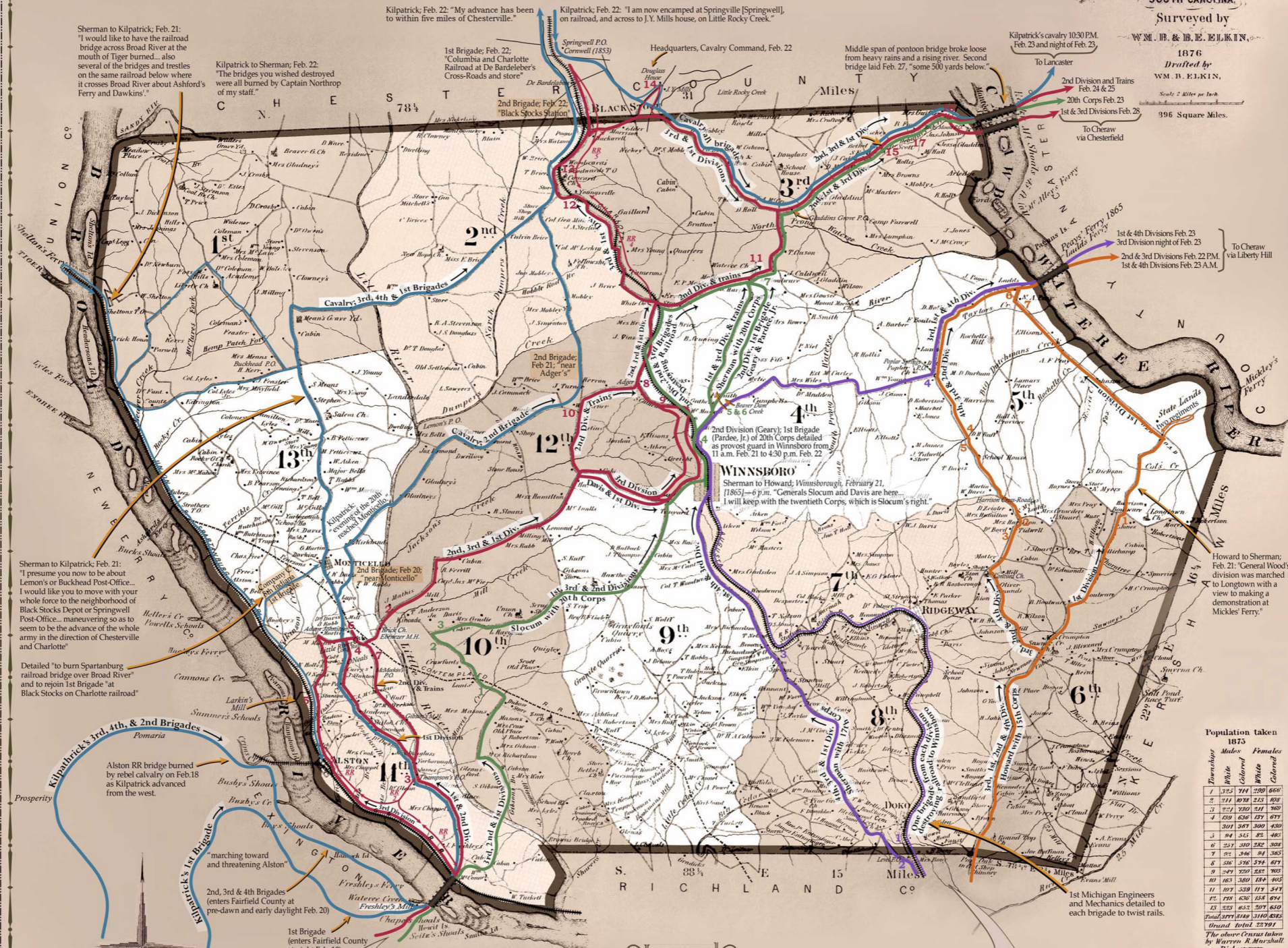
## 14th Corps Railroad Detail

### Greenville & Columbia Railroad

- RR 3rd Division: from pontoon bridge, marching along Broad River, to destroy upper two mile section of railroad to Alston
- RR 1st Division: two regiments detailed from near Thompson's Post-Office to destroy three mile middle section of railroad toward Alston
- RR 2nd Division: 2nd Brigade to destroy lower section of railroad from pontoon bridge

### Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad

- RR 3rd Division: to destroy railroad from White Oak north to Youngville
- RR 1st Division: to move to near Springwell Post-Office and destroy railroad back to Youngville



Population taken 1875

Townships	White Males	White Females	Colored Males	Colored Females
1	1,325	744	290	666
2	1,718	1,211	428	928
3	2,211	2,221	251	969
4	1,629	1,626	157	677
5	3,011	3,087	300	1,430
6	84	361	32	483
7	527	500	582	308
8	92	346	84	385
9	536	576	574	677
10	249	220	281	705
11	163	369	184	405
12	107	539	117	547
13	728	636	124	674
14	123	615	227	619
Total	37,777	31,810	31,161	43,825
Grand Total	32,791			

The above Census taken by Warren R. Marshall, Ridgeway.

## 14th Corps Hdqrs. & Encampments

- 1st Division; Feb. 19; Gen. Carlin at the "junction of Alston and Monticello roads"
- 1st Division; Feb. 20; Maj. Widmer at Little River "crossed Little River at Ebenezer Church, and camped half a mile from crossing." 1st Division Special Field Orders: "will cross Little River and encamp at the forks of the road beyond."
- 2nd Division; Feb. 19; Gen. Morgan "went into camp near Thompson's house"; Gen. Mitchell, 2nd Brigade "camped near Thompson's Post-Office, Fairfield County."
- 2nd Division; Feb. 20; Gen. Morgan "went into camp at Ebenezer Church, on Little River." Lieut. Col. Vernon, 2nd Brigade, 78th Illinois "camped on Long Run."
- 3rd Division; Feb. 19; Gen. Baird at "Alston on the Greenville and Columbia Railroad"; 3rd Division Special Field Orders: "will encamp to-night at Larkin's Mill, near Pearson's Island."
- 3rd Division; Feb. 20; Gen. Baird near Ebenezer Church "encamped at noon at plantation of Mrs. A. [Adam] Johnston, one mile and a half from Little River."
- 14th Corps Headquarters; Feb. 20; Mrs. O'Neil's House; near Ebenezer Church and Little River
- 1st Division; Feb. 21; Gen. Carlin at Adger's Turnout "camped at 4.30 p.m. on Adger's place, five miles from Winnsborough"
- 3rd Division; Feb. 21; Gen. Baird "passing through the suburbs of Winnsborough, encamped three miles... on the Charlotte and South Carolina Railroad."
- 2nd Division; Feb. 21; Gen. Morgan as he approached to within several miles of Winnsboro "received orders to move to White Oak; counter-marched to the Chester Court-House road, then to its intersection with the Monticello and Winnsborough road; went into camp six miles northwest of Winnsborough, and two miles and a half of Columbia and Charlotte (N.C.) Railroad"
- 2nd Division; Feb. 22; Gen. Morgan marched from Wateree Church to "White Oak Station, thence eastward to Wateree Church... went into camp."
- 1st Division; Feb. 22; Gen. Carlin near Youngville "marched back to Chester road [from Columbia and Charlotte Railroad] and camped at cross-roads at Wilson's place"; Gen. Kilpatrick: "General Carlin encamps to-night at Youngville."
- 3rd Division; Feb. 22; Gen. Beard "passing through Youngville"; Lieut. Col. Bishop; 2nd Brigade; 2nd Minnesota "marched northward along the railroad to Youngville"; Maj. Jolly; 1st Brigade; 23rd Missouri "camped near the Concord Church."
- 14th Corps Headquarters; Feb. 22; Douglass House, near Black Stock
- 1st Division; Feb. 23-25; Gen. Carlin "near Rocky Mount Post-Office on Catawba River... Camped on Doctor Scott's place"; Maj. Widmer; 1st Brigade; 104th Illinois "in camp at Rocky Mount Post-Office."
- 1st Division; Feb. 26-27; Gen. Carlin "Sunday, 26th, moved at 1 p.m. from Scott's place, and took position about half a mile from river [Catawba]"; Maj. Widmer; 1st Brigade; 104th Illinois "February 26, moved to the Catawba River and camped at the mouth of Rocky Mount Creek"
- 3rd Division; Feb. 23-27; Gen. Baird near Rocky Mount: "division went into camp three miles south of the Catawba River"

## 20th Corps Hdqrs. & Encampments

- 20th Corps; Feb. 20; Gen. Williams "forded Little River and encamped at Morris Creek, on the Winnsborough road."
- 20th Corps Headquarters; Feb. 20; Owens' Farm, near Kincaid's Cross Roads
- 2nd Division; Feb. 20; Gen. Pardee, Jr., 1st Brigade "marched to the cross-roads near Kincaid's house"; Col. Mindil, 2nd Brigade "crossed Little River and encamped on the Winnsborough road, on Owen's farm." Capt. Burhans, 3rd Brigade, 149th New York " bivouacked on Owen's farm, at Kincaid's Cross Roads"
- 2nd Division, 2nd & 3rd Brigades; Feb. 21; encamped near railroad on the north end of Winnsboro
- 20th Corps Headquarters; Feb. 21; near Beaver Dam Creek, two miles north of Winnsboro on the road to Wateree Meeting House
- 3rd & 1st Divisions; Feb. 21; Gen. Williams; two to three miles north of Winnsboro: "Ward's and Jackson's divisions marched through town and encamped on Beaver Dam Creek."
- 2nd Division; Feb. 22; Gen. Geary, along with Pardee's 1st Brigade, had marched from Winnsboro to Wateree Meeting House, and were rejoined by the 2nd & 3rd Brigades marching from White Oak Station on the railroad. "There we camped for the night, near Morgan's division, Fourteenth Corps."

**Left Wing Army of Georgia Enters Fairfield County**

14th Corps Feb. 19th      20th Corps Feb. 20th

**Legend**

**Left Wing**  
 14th Corps (Red)  
 20th Corps (Green)

**Right Wing**  
 15th Corps (Orange)  
 17th Corps (Purple)

■ Kilpatrick 3rd Division Cavalry

Order of March - Division/Brigade closest to arrow leads  
 Color coded numbers show Headquarters & Encampments  
 Pontoon Bridge (Dashed line with vertical bars)  
 RR Detail 1-5 (RR symbol)

**Right Wing Army of Tennessee Enters Fairfield County**

17th Corps Feb. 20th      15th Corps Feb. 21st