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1st and 2nd companies of 2nd Battalion we deploy on the far right flank the division out of a town called Resaca in north Georgia. We were moving thru a small area of trees. We learned the Calvary duel over a small cannon, which the confederate Calvary was able to take possession of after the gun was moved in an attempt to prevent it falling into the enemies hands.

We had what appeared to be 2 different confederate battalions (3rd Ga. And 3rd Tn.) To our front. Col. Welch put the battalion into line of battle and the men fire a volley. Though the confederates outnumbered us, the men's volley, slowed their advance. There were what appeared to be two guns to our front right oblique with a small group of infantry for protection. Capt. Bell's company (our 1st company) keep them busy with volley's. Lt. Hendrix's company (our 2nd company) engaged the confederate skirmishers, then engaged one of the main body of the two confederate battalions. For some reason both confederate battalions changed their direction and marched to our left. Shortly after this the guns, and their guard follow behind. There was a long raised dirt embankment to our left. I overheard Col. Welch get very excited and thank the confederates for a Christmas gift. The gift was the confederate left flank in the open.

Col. Welch gave quick commands and move the battalion to the dirt embankment. I could see another union battalion was moving up from our rear left oblique to engage the confederates. We fired into the open left flank of the confederates. They appeared stunned at first as if they could believe we were firing into them. After the second or third volley, the confederates did pull a company to their left flank to engaged us.

The confederates sent a company or maybe two and push us from the dirt embankment back into the wooded area. The confederates disengaged us and moved back in their battle line. Col. Welch moved us back onto the dirt embankment and we were ordered to engaged the confederates again. By telling us to kill those people. Lt. Hendrix got a few with his pistol. With the other battalion pushing the confederates front and us hitting their flank, they began to be pushed back. In coordination with the battalion to our left we begin pushing and flanking the confederates until we had the field.