General Orders

No. 49.

1. Hereafter in this District, no horse belonging to the Government shall be used for Cavalry or Artillery purposes unless such horse has been condemned as unfit for said purposes by a Board of Officers selected from these Headquarters.

Pony horses will be issued by the Quartermaster's Department to persons entitled by their rank or position to the use of Government animals.

2. The use of Government animals for the pleasure or private benefit of individuals, is contrary to the Regulations, and the Officers accountable to the Government for animals so used will be held guilty of disobedience of Orders and neglect of duty.

3. All persons except officers mounted by law, within the limits of the command at Jacksonville, and all officers and army employees elsewhere within the District, having private horses, will present such horses to the nearest Provost Marshal, who will make a return of the same, and issue permits allowing them to be kept in accordance with instructions from these Headquarters. All private horses, so used, not registered in accordance with this order, within twelve (12) days of its promulgation, will be liable to confiscation.

4. The title of all captured property being in the Government, persons having in their possession draft or saddle animals, wagons, saddles, or other means of transportation taken from the enemy, will immediately turn such property over to the Quartermaster's Department. The retention of such property will be considered an attempt to defraud the Government, and treated accordingly.

5. Army Officers entitled to the use of Government horses will make application to their Headquarters for permission to draw them from the Quartermaster's Department. Without such permission, no Quartermaster will make the issue or allow the horses now issued to remain out of his possession.

6. Monthly returns of means of transportation will be made to the Headquarters by all Quartermasters in the District. A statement of the condition of the animals will accompany the return.

7. It is made the duty of all guard and all commissioned Officers to arrest any person, officer, soldier, or citizen, violating General Orders No. 49, current series, by riding rapidly in or near Jacksonville, or the camps in its vicinity.

By Order of Brig. Gen. Jno. P. Hatch:

E. L. ROGERS, Maj. 164th Penn. Vols.,
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Major H. Allen,
Headquarters District of Florida.

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 28th 1864.