Division will move from its present camp via Mercer's Ford, and will cross the Meherrin at that point, and then move to the Boydton plank road, and thence to Boydton. The Second Cavalry Division, General Crook commanding, will follow the division of General Custer, crossing the river at the same point that the Third Division does, and will follow General Custer's command to Boydton. The army train will cross the river at the ford over which the First Division passed to-day, and will be escorted to Boydton by the First Division. General Devin will furnish the chief quartermaster, Captain McGonnigle, with such details from his division as he may require to repair the crossing and assist in the moving of the trains. All these movements to commence at 6 a. m. to-morrow.

By command of Major-General Sheridan:

JAS. W. FORSYTH,
Chief of Staff.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 47. HDQRS. DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA, ARMY OF THE JAMES, *Richmond, Va., April 25, 1865.*

Lieut. Col. John Coughlin, Tenth New Hampshire Volunteers, is hereby assigned to the command of the labor district, between the James and Appomattox Rivers. In all matters relating to negro affairs Lieutenant-Colonel Coughlin will report direct to these headquarters. In matters relating to the troops which may be from time to time under his command he will report to Major-General Hartsuff, commanding U. S. forces at Petersburg.

By command of Major-General Ord:

ED. W. SMITH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON,
TWENTY-SECOND ARMY CORPS,
April 25, 1865.

COMMANDING OFFICER SIXTH WEST VIRGINIA CAVALRY:

COLONEL: The major-general commanding directs that you send a battalion of your regiment at as early an hour as practicable to-morrow morning, the 26th instant, to the vicinity of Surrattsville, Md. The command will take with them two days' rations and forage, and will relieve all men of the Sixteenth New York Cavalry now on duty in the locality above mentioned. Upon arriving at his destination the commanding officer of the battalion will report to Marshal Murray, showing him these instructions. The detachments of the Sixteenth New York, when relieved, will be ordered to return to Washington and report to these headquarters.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. E. KING,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

The commanding officer of the battalion will consider himsef subject to the orders of Marshal Murray, and will carry out his instructions in all respects.

POINT LOOKOUT, *April 25, 1865—12 m.*
(Received 2.30 p. m.)

Lieut. Col. J. H. TAYLOR, *Chief of Staff:*

I have scouted the country thoroughly from Coan River by Heathsville to the Potomac, and toward the Rappahannock. There are no traces there. I am starting up the coast and will re-embark at Potomac Creek. I have persons on the lookout in the lower part of the Neck who will, I think, arrest any of the party escaping in this part of the country. The transports will go to Potomac Creek and await me there. It will take about three days, arriving at Potomac Creek the 28th.

N. B. SWEITZER,
Colonel Sixteenth New York Cavalry, &c.

POINT LOOKOUT, *April 25, 1865.*
(Received 2.40 p. m.)

Lieut. Col. J. H. TAYLOR, *Chief of Staff:*

I will thoroughly search all the landings and their approaches and vicinity on the Northern Neck between Coan River and Potomac Creek, to arrest any suspicious persons who have crossed the Potomac River from Maryland.

N. B. SWEITZER,
Colonel Sixteenth New York Cavalry.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON,
TWENTY-SECOND ARMY CORPS,
April 25, 1865.

Lieutenant-Colonel NICHOLSON, *Comdg. Sixteenth New York, &c.:*

COLONEL: The major-general commanding directs that you proceed with your command to Coan River. Transportation will be ready for you at 10 a. m. to-morrow, the 26th instant, at Sixth street wharf. Upon arriving at your destination you will scout the adjacent country thoroughly, directing your attention to the discovery of the parties concerned in the assassination of the President and Mr. Seward. You will understand that the energies of yourself and command are to be directed to this object and not to the prosecution of hostilities against the inhabitants. You will remain at the point above designated until joined by Colonel Sweitzer, who will then give you further instructions.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. E. KING,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

You are further directed to take charge of all stores and supplies which may be landed at Coan River for your own or Colonel Sweitzer's command.

HEADQUARTERS MIDDLE MILITARY DIVISION,
Washington, April 25, 1865.

Major-General EMORY,
Department of West Virginia, Cumberland:

Major-General Hancock directs me to say to you that you are at liberty to permit family supplies in small quantities to go through your