

Missouri State Militia Special Order to Fully Equip and Carry Arms

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Head Quarters 1st Batt 8th MSM Cav

Springfield MO May 16th 1864

Special Order

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II Commanding officers of Companies will on receipt of this order ascertain the number of arms and Equipments that is necessary to fully equip all the enlisted men of their command and will report the same to the commanding officer of the 1st Batt 8th MSM Cav who will draw the amount necessary to supply the Battallion[.]

II II all non-commissioned officers of this Battallion will hereafter wear their chevrons[.] company commanders will be held Responsible that this complied with[.]

II II II Hereafter all enlisted men going on duty will take their guns with them except otherwise ordered[.]

By order of

Maj[.] John Cosgrove

8th MSM

Comdg Batt

WO Mead

Lt[.] & a[.] adg[.]

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chevrons to be worn,

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