Edmond Eliot aka “Edward”
b. c1629 England
d. c1683 Amesbury, Massachusetts at about 54 yrs
m. 1659
Sarah Haddon
d/o Jared & Margaret Haddon
b. 15 Jan 1640 Salisbury, Massachusetts
d. after 1687

‘Edmund, or Edward Eliot, as the name is sometimes written, was born in England about 1629 and came to America with the early patrons of the Company of the Massachusetts Bay Colony of which John Humphrey and John Endicott, the two most prominent of the six patentees of the territory extending from the Atlantic to the western ocean, and in width from a line running three miles north of the Merrimac River to one running three miles south of the Charles River. The company was ruled by a Governor and thirteen Councilors for fifty-five years.

The year of Edmund's departure from England or arrival in the Massachusetts Bay Colony has never been fixed and the first known record is in 1652 when he was taxed in the town of Salisbury and was a husbandman in the western portion of the town known as Salisbury New-Town, which was granted the privileges of a town on May 23, 1666. He received properties by grant of land in the original town of Salisbury in 1654, 1659 and 1662. When Salisbury New-Town incorporated on May 23, 1666 his property was within the bounds of this town and additional grants were made to him in 1666 and 1668. On May 28, 1668, it was decided by the General Court that ‘Salisbury, New-Town may be called Emesbury’ and was in the Act of Incorporation dated May 27, 1668 spelled as Amesbury.

He was made a freeman of the new town of Amesbury by taking the Oath of Allegiance in 1677 and the last record of his life was in 1680 when he is named among the residents. His Will bears the date February 26, 1675, and was probated March 17, 1684, which date gives the approximate time of his death according to the lapse of time ordinarily observed between the death of the testator and the proof of his Will December 1683, or January 1684.

His Will provides evidence of his service in the Indian Wars as he recites the reason for making it "when he was going to the war." He names his wife Sarah and son John as his legatees and in case of the death of both that his property was to go to his nearest relatives in England. The inventory of his estate amounted to 480 pounds and upwards, which made him a relatively wealthy man. Following Edward’s death, she remarried a Younglove. Her father made his will in 1687 and names her in the instrument, the nearest date we have by which to judge the time of her death.”
Ch. ELIOT:
John Eliot, Sr
b. 25 Sep 1660 Salisbury New-Town, Massachusetts
d. c1733 Amesbury, Massachusetts at about 73 yrs
m. 1685
Naomi Tuxbury
d/o Henry Tuxbury
b. 18 Jan 1666 Newbury, Massachusetts
d.

“He was the only child of Edmund and Sarah. He followed the occupation of his father and is so described as a "yeoman" at the time he took the Oath of Allegiance to the government in 1677, on arriving at military age, and before reaching his majority he was made a member of the trainband in 1680. His will was dated on February 22, 1733, and probated the following March, which would indicate it was made on his sickbed and probably deathbed. Naomi survived John as she is mentioned in his will.”

Ch. Eliot: (all born in Amesbury, Massachusetts)
1. Edmund Eliot, b. 30 July 1686. His Great Grandson, Jacob Smith Elliott, settled with his parents in Corinna in 1812 and in 1832 married Sally Moor, daughter of William Moor, who first settled Hartland in 1802. (See Moor/Moore Family)
2. Sarah Eliot, b. 10 Oct 1688; m. Sylvanus Carr on 7 Dec 1738
3. Elizabeth Eliot, b. 11 Nov 1691; m. Jacob Colby on 20 Dec 1724
4. John Eliot, Jr, b. 25 Dec 1693
5. Thomas Eliot, b. 26 Nov 1696; m. Judith Worthen on 21 Dec 1721
6. Mary Eliot, b. 4 Aug 1699; m. Ezekiel Colby on 24 Dec 1724
7. Hannah Eliot, b. 7 Oct 1702; m. Robert Corn on 16 Mar 1732
8. David Eliot, b. 12 June 1705; m. Mary Carter on 2 Jan 1728. Moved to Newton, N. H.

Note: South Hampton, New Hampshire was incorporated in 1742 and comprised the most of the territory cut off from Salisbury and Amesbury, Massachusetts by the establishment of the province line of 1741.

Ch. ELIOT:
4. John Eliot, Jr
b. 25 Dec 1693 Amesbury, Massachusetts
d. Salisbury, Massachusetts
m. 20 Dec 1721 Salisbury, Massachusetts
Sarah Colby
b. 23 Dec 1700 Amesbury, Massachusetts
d.

Ch. ELIOT:
1. Mary Eliot, b. 23 Sep 1722 Amesbury, Massachusetts
2. John Eliot, b. 19 Sep 1724 Amesbury, Massachusetts
3. Jacob Eliot, b. 26 Jan 1730 Amesbury, Massachusetts
Ch. ELIOT:
3. Jacob Elliot
b. 26 Jan 1730 Amesbury, Massachusetts
d. 10 May 1817 Windham at 87 yrs
m. 1752 Salisbury
Dorothy Pettingill (Jones)
b. 1733
d. 9 Feb 1808
His birth is recorded in the Salisbury First Church Records as; ”ELLIOT Jacob, s. John and Sarah, b. Jan. 26, 1730/31 in Amesbury.” Jacob was one of the early settlers of Windham in 1763 moving from Salisbury, Massachusetts. He bought Lot No. 10, second division of one hundred-acre lots in Windham on April 3, 1763, and commenced to clear the land. Salisbury First Church Records note,“June 10, 1759: Jacob Eliot & wife Dorothy Eliot, Dismissed.” Church records from Windham read, ”June 24, 1764: Jacob Elliot and Dorothy his wife had their dismissions read from the Church in Salisbury, and were received into this Church” From his daughter's gravestone in Windham, “Dorothy Elliot, died Feb 12, 1842, 87 yrs, daughter of Jacob Elliot who purchased this lot, then wild land, on which he settled in 1763, and sold to Nathan Gould in 1801”

Ch. ELLIOT:
1. Sarah Elliott, b. 1753 Salisbury
2. Dorothy Elliott, b. 1755 Salisbury, d. 1842 Windham; m. Ebenezer Barton in 1773
3. Catherine Elliott, b. 1757 Salisbury, d. 1803
4. Jacob Elliott, Jr., b. 1764 Windham, d. 1849; m. Ann Baker of Falmouth on 25 Nov 1787
5. Anna Elliott, b. 1761, d. 1853; m. Ichabod Hanson, Jr. on 3 Sep 1784
6. Elizabeth Elliott, b. _____; m. John Cook in 1786
7. Daniel Pettingill Elliott, b. 1773 Windham, d. 1852 Hartland;
8. Hannah Elliott, b. _____; m. Joseph Chase in 1789

7. Daniel Pettingill Elliot
b. 1773 Windham
d. 4 May 1852 Hartland (Ireland Cemetery) at 79 yrs
m. 1 Jan 1792 Windham
Submit Hall
do Hateville Hall & Ruth Winslow, originally of Dover, NH. Removed to Windham
b. 15 Oct 1776 Windham
d. 1851 Hartland (Ireland Cemetery)
They had 13 children, 10 sons & 3 daughters. They, along with at least 3 of their sons, Jacob, Nathan and Isaiah, removed from Bowdoin to Hartland soon after C/1820 and were living there in C/1830. Nathan stayed until C/1870 and removed to Milford, Ohio where he died in 1875 at 63 yrs. Jacob lived in Hartland as late as C/1850 (when his parents are living with his family) but further evidence of his whereabouts after that has not yet been found. Jacob's first wife, Sarah, is buried at Ireland Cemetery.

Ch. ELLIOT:
1. Isaiah Elliott, b. 1792
2. John Elliott, b. 1793
3. Enoch Elliott, b. 1794
4. Stephen Elliott, b. 1795
5. Joseph Elliott, b. 1800
6. Abigail Elliott, b. 1801
7. Daniel Elliott, b. 1803
8. Coburn Elliott, b. 1804
9. Jacob Elliott, b. 1805
10. Levi Elliott, b. 1805, d. 1827
11. Louisa Elliott, b. 1807
12. Ann Elliott, b. 1811
13. Nathan Elliott, b. 1812, d. 1875 Milford, OH; m. Louisana Williams (See Williams Family)

1. Isaiah Elliot
War of 1812
b. 1792 Windham
d. 18 Oct 1860 Hartland (Ireland Cemetery) at 68 yrs
m. 2 Mar 1813 Bowdoinham
Elizabeth Maloon “Betsey”
b. 1794
d. 19 Sep 1874 Brunswick (IC) at 80 yrs while living with her son, Daniel

He served in the War of 1812 as a Private in the 33rd U.S. Infantry under Lt. J. Banks in the command of Captain Densmore from 8 Mar 1814 until 27 Jun 1815. His enlistment records show he was 5’-6” tall, light colored eyes, sandy hair and a light complexion at 22 years old. He served some of his time with a flotilla on Lake Champlain before being discharged at Plattsburgh.

Ch. ELLIOTT:
1. Israel M. Elliott, b. 1813 , d. 1895 Aspen, Colorado Civil War 20th Maine Company F
He was living in Hartland when he enlisted in the Union Army as a Musician on 29 Aug 1862 at the age of 49. He was mustered into the 20th Maine Infantry, Company F at Portland which was assigned to the V Corps of the Army of the Potomac. Elliott was listed as sick at Antietam, Maryland on 1 Oct 1862 and fell ill again in June of 1863. He was later transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps (aka VRC) on 5 Jan 1864. The Veteran Reserve Corps, previously known as the Invalid Corps, was established for soldiers who were unfit for active service due to injuries or diseases contracted in the line of duty. These men were assigned to participate in appropriate military or semi-military activities, such as garrison and light duty work, after being declared deserving of such duty by their commanding officers. He died on 19 Mar 1896 and is buried at Ute Cemetery in Aspen, Colorado.
2. Daniel Elliott, b. 1818, d. 1889 Brunswick; m1. Dolly Moor, m2. Sarah Weston Civil War (See Moor/Moore Family)
3. Abigail Elliott, b. 1820, d. 26 Dec 1836 Hartland (IC) at 16 yrs
4. Nancy Elliott, b. 1825, d. 19 Apr 1843 Hartland (IC) at 18 yrs
5. Sally/Sarah Elliott, b. 1828, d. 23 Jan 1853 Hartland (IC) at 25 yrs

6. John Hancock Elliott, b. 1830 Hartland, d. 1907 Hartland
Civil War 3rd CA Infantry KIA
He headed West in the late 1850s to Toulumne County, California where he was a miner as shown in the 1860 Census listing his birth state as Maine. He enlisted in the Civil War with the 3rd California Regiment Volunteer Infantry and was assigned to Company E. While stationed at an outpost at Canon Station about 15 miles from Fort Ruby in the (then) Nevada Territory, he and 3 other men were attacked by a warring Indian Party and was brutally murdered. His remains were buried there and a head stone was erected at Ireland Cemetery in his honor. The Official Report and Newspaper Article of the attack can be seen at the bottom of this page.
6. John Hancock Elliott  
b. 25 Apr 1830 Hartland  
d. 10 Dec 1907 Hartland (Starbird-Jordan Cemetery) at 77 yrs  
m. 1854 Hartland  
Philomelia M. Starbird (See Starbird Family)  
d/o David Starbird (SJC) & Affie Fogg (SJC) of North Hartland  
b. 30 Aug 1833 Hartland  
d. 25 Mar 1910 Hartland (SJC)  

Ch. ELLIOTT:  
1. Manfred I. Elliott  
b. 1854 Hartland  
d. aft. 1910 Wisconsin  
m. abt 1888  
Ella Ellestad-Redden  
b. Jan 1865 Canada (arrived in the US in 1885)  
d. Wisconsin  
Manfred removed first to Lake Preston, South Dakota after C/1870 then to Knapp, Wisconsin by C/1900. It is unclear whether he married Ella in Hartland or met her in South Dakota.  

Ch. ELLIOTT:  
A) Mabel Ellen Elliott  
b. Sep 1890 Lake Preston, South Dakota  
d. 29 Oct 1961 Toma, Wisconsin  
m. 12 Feb 1910  
Oscar Rattle  
They had 11 children  

B) James Elmer Elliott  
b. 22 Jan 1891 Lake Preston, South Dakota  
d. 6 Dec 1955 Toma, Wisconsin  
m. 1 Dec 1928 Wisconsin (Warrens Cemetery, Warrens, Wisconsin)  
Mildred Alice Manning  
They had no children  

C) Vida Elliott  
b. Apr 1892 Lake Preston, South Dakota  
d.  

2. Ellis A. Elliott  
b. 1855 Hartland  
d. 16 Feb 1857 Hartland (SJC) at 2 yrs  

3. Elsie Effie Elliott  
b. 1858 Hartland  
d. 1949 Hartland (SJC) at 91 yrs  
m. 25 Dec 1892 Hartland (divorced)  
Frank Whitten  
s/o William Whitten & Mary Ann Estes of Detroit Frank married 2nd to Florence Corson and their daughter Edith Whitten married Albert Deering, Jr. (See Deering Family)  
They had no children
4. Mabel M. Elliott
b. 4 May 1859 Hartland
d. 1958 Hartland (SJC) at 99 yrs
m. 1880 Hartland
Richard W. Stafford  
(See Stafford & Starbird Family)
s/o Joel Stafford (SJC) & Sarah Starbird (SJC)
b. 1849 Hartland
d. 6 Jul 1926 Hartland (SJC)
They had no children

5. Almon Adelbert Elliott
b. 9 Sep 1863 Hartland
d. 22 Apr 1936 Hartland (Pine Grove Cemetery)
m1. 29 Nov 1894
Eva Leona Brown  
(d/o Hiram Brown & Mercy Atwood)
b. 1870 Wellington-Cornville-Harmony
d. 1900 Hartland
m2. 8 Oct 1910
Emily L. Brown (Sister of his 1st wife, Eva Brown)  
(d/o Hiram Brown & Mercy Atwood)
b. 1873 Wellington-Cornville-Harmony
d. 1919 Hartland (PG)
They had no children

Ch. ELLIOTT:
A) Harry Adelbert Elliott
b. 19 Aug 1895 Harmony
d. 20 Dec 1963 Canaan (PG)
m. 20 Sep 1922 Hartland
Sadie Belle Emery  
(See George Emery Family)
d/o Alton Joseph Emery of Palmyra & Eva Mae Parkhurst of St Albans. Her sister, Jean
Aseneth Emery-Corson married Vernard Vialle Stedman. (See Stedman Family)
b. 22 Nov 1901 St Albans
d. 1 Jun 1991 Hartland (PG)
He was a U.S. Postal Carrier in Hartland for 30 years with a Rural Route

Ch. ELLIOTT:
I. Eva Leona Elliott
b. 23 Jan 1928 Hartland
d. 1 Feb 1928 Hartland (PG) at 9 days

II. Lewis Payson Elliott  
Korea U. S. Air Force
b. 25 Aug 1929 Hartland
d. 2 Feb 2008 Hartland (Fullers Corner Cemetery)
m. 1950
Arlene Marie Munroe (Sister of Charlotte who married his brother, Weston)
b. 1 Dec 1932 Waterville
d/o Harry Martin Monroe & Marie Exilda Doucette of New Brunswick
Ch. ELLIOTT:
a) Dorothy Mae Elliott  
b. 24 Dec 1952 Texas (while Lewis was in the service)  
m.  
Daryll Humphrey  
b) Deborah Anne Elliott  
b. 11 Apr 1954  
m1.  
Dwayne King  
m2.  
Tom Bundza  
c) Lewis Harry Elliott  
b. 25 Apr 1960 Hartland  
m. 21 Mar 1982 Newport  
Cathy Jo Tucker  
(See Barden Family)  
d/o of Ralph Foss Tucker & Virginia Gladys Salisbury  
b. 20 Mar 1961  

III. Alton Charles Elliott  
b. 18 Apr 1931 Hartland  
d. 27 Jun 2008 Stockton, California  
m.  
Doris _____

Ch. ELLIOTT:  
a) Bruce Elliott  
b.  
b) Son Elliott  
b.  
c) Daughter Elliott  
b.  

IV. Hilda Mae Elliott  
b. 15 Dec 1932 Hartland  
d. Jan 2003 Portland  
m. 12 Mar 1951 Hartland (at her father's home)  
Warren W. Viles “Junior”  
b.  

Ch. VILES: (11 children total)  
Infant Daughter Viles  
b. 1952  
d. 1952  

Infant Daughter Viles *twin*  
b. 30 Aug 1955  
d. 30 Aug 1955
Infant Son Viles *twin*
b. 30 Aug 1855
d. 30 Aug 1955

Elizabeth Irene Viles
b. 28 Oct 1956
d. 30 Oct 1956

V. Lorraine Elliott
b. 1935 Hartland
m.
Wesley Post

Ch. POST:
a) Larry Post
b.

b) Harlow Post
b.

c) Dale Post
b.

d) Donna Post
b.

e) Cathy Post
b.

f) Barbara Post
b.

VI. Weston Adelbert Elliott
b. 30 Jan 1937 Hartland
m.
Charlotte Nettie Munroe (Sister of Arlene who married his brother, Lewis)
d/o Harry Martin Monroe & Marie Exilda Doucette of New Brunswick
b. 15 Dec 1942 Waterville
He graduated from Hartland Academy Class of 1956

VII. Edwin Ellis Elliott II  Vietnam U. S. Army 9th Calvary, Co. B  KIA
b. 16 May 1946 Hartland
d. 11 Apr 1967 South Vietnam (PG)
Killed in Action

B) Edward Lamont Elliott *twin*
b. 5 Oct 1897 Hartland
d. 25 Nov 1976 Skowhegan
m1. 21 Apr 1924 Hartland (divorced)
Phyllis Idona Boyd
b. 29 Sep 1901 Kingman
d. 1954

Ch. ELLIOT:
I. Clyde Elliott
b.

II. Almon Elliott
b. 1925

III. Vernard Edward Elliott
b. 9 Apr 1927 Palmyra
d. 3 Dec 2005 Lebanon, New Hampshire

IV. William E. Elliott
b. 7 Apr 1929 Hartland
d. 13 Jan 2000 Skowhegan
m.

m2. 19 Aug 1944 Skowhegan
Erma Stickney

C) Edwin Ellis Elliott I  *twin*
b. 5 Oct 1897 Hartland
d. 17 Jul 1941
m. 10 Feb 1930 Hartland (divorced)
Violet E. Austin
b. 1912 Hartland

6. Wilmont H. Elliott
b. 1867
d. 1946 (PG)
m.
Mabel Sawyer
b. 1863 Hartland
d. 1926 Hartland (PG)

Ch. ELLIOTT:
A) Isa M. Elliott
b. 27 Dec 1892 Hartland
d. Oct 1975 (Detroit Village Cemetery)
m. 16 Feb 1915 Hartland (She at 21 yrs old, he at 16)
Oscar William Whitten
s/o Lewis Whitten & Lottie Higlon
b. 10 Mar 1900 Waterville
d. 1928 (Detroit Village Cemetery)

Ch. WHITTEN:
I. Leona May Whitten
b. 19 Feb 1915 Hartland
d. 23 Dec 1997 Hartland
m. O. P. Powers
They had 6 children

II. Norma F. Whitten
b. 1918 Hartland
d.

III. Dorothy Lillian Whitten
b. 18 Mar 1919 Hartland
d.
m. Karl Anderson

B) Harold V. Elliott
b. 1894 Hartland
d. 6 Apr 1896 Hartland (SJC) at 2 yrs

C) Clyde H. Elliott
b. 22 Nov 1896 Hartland
d. 29 Dec 1910 Hartland (SJC) at 14 yrs

D) Leon W. Elliott, Sr
b. 18 Apr 1901 Hartland
d. 4 Feb 1973 Skowhegan (PG)
m. 16 Oct 1937
Doris B. Cool (noted as Doris Gifford in Shirley's obituary)
d/o Fred Cool & Beryl Hartwell of Hartland
b. 22 Mar 1911 Hartland
d. 3 Oct 1968 Canaan (PG)

Ch. ELLIOTT: (not in order)
I. Carroll Gifford Elliott
b.

II. Scott Gifford Elliott
b.

III. Blaine Elliott
b.
IV. Delma Elliott  
b. 1939 Hartland  
m.  
_____ Goodridge  

V. Althea Elliott  
b.  
m.  
_____ Harris  

VI. Shirley Ann Elliott  
b. 18 Aug 1936 Hartland  
d. 14 Sep 1995 Madison  
m. Richard Bolduc  
b.  
d. 1988  

Ch. Bolduc:  
a) Desiree Bolduc  
b.  
m.  
_____ Everett  

b) Carl Bolduc  
b.  

c) Keith Bolduc  
b.  

VII. Leon W. Elliott Jr  
b. 1940 Hartland  

7. Dorothy Moore Elliott  
b. 2 Sep 1872 Hartland  
d. 1957 Skowhegan (SJC) at 85 yrs  
She never married  
_A school teacher_
The Fort and Troops

Believing that anything connected with the California Volunteers, away off in this wilderness of sagebrush, will interest some of your readers, has induced me to trouble you with a short letter, and in my rough style dot down a few incidents which have transpired within the last ten days. In the first place allow me to premise that Fort Ruby is now garrisoned by a portion of two companies of the Third Infantry, California Volunteers, Company C, under Captain J. W. Stillman, and Company E, under First Lieutenant Hosmer, of Columbia, Tuolumne County, California, and Lieutenant Wm. Myers. Charles E. Kirkpatrick is the Surgeon. Lieutenant Wm. N. Allen, of Company C, is Quartermaster, and First Lieutenant J. D. Todd, of Stockton, is Adjutant of this post. The post is under the command of Major P. A. Gallagher. Company K, of the Second Cavalry, California Volunteers, was temporarily assigned to this post, but the recent Indian depredations between here and Salt Lake have kept them on the road almost constantly. This company is under the command of Captain S. P. Smith, with First Lieutenant John Quinn, and they have done some good work lately, an account of which has appeared in your columns since he surprised a party of Indians at Government Springs, about 200 miles east of this place, and succeeded in killing ten of them. A portion of Companies C and E are along the Overland Mail route, guarding the stations between here and Fish Springs, a distance of 170 miles. Each stage is accompanied by two or more soldiers from one station to the next.

An Attack by Indians

Some soldiers of Company E, four in number, and stationed at a point fifteen miles east of Deep Creek, called Cañon Station, were attacked a few days since by a party of Indians. Two of the soldiers were returning with the water cart as a guard (the water used at the station being brought from a creek some ten miles east of it). They were fired upon when within six hundred yards of the station; the Indians were concealed behind the sage bush, which they had cut and piled up for that purpose. Corporal Hervey was shot in the head and instantly killed; Private Abbott was shot in the shoulder. Both fell from the wagon. Abbott soon recovered and fired his own gun and that of his dead comrade at the Indians. He also took the pistol of Hervey and used that; then jumped into the wagon and drove to the station.

The other two soldiers were absent, having gone out for a hunt, both of whom were killed; their names were Elliott and Burgher. The body of Elliott, was found by some immigrants about half a mile from the station, close to the road, stripped and pierced with thirty balls, heart cut out, and otherwise mutilated. That of Burgher was not found until next day, about a mile off, and in the same condition.

The Indians also stripped the body of Hervey, there being no one at the station but the wounded soldier and an employee of the Overland Mail Company to prevent it. The most singular part of this affair seems to be that neither of the men killed were scalped. Burgher, however, had his whiskers cut or torn from his chin. The Indians succeeded in capturing one musket (Burgher's) and one double-barreled gun (Elliott's), with a small amount of ammunition. It is not known whether any Indians were killed, but a good deal of
blood was seen on their tracks. Eighteen Indians were counted by the man at the station as they escaped across the mountains.

The following is the list of names of the killed and wounded; which will enable their friends in California to identify them: Corporal William S. Hervey, aged 30, born in Bombay (of American parents), killed; Private Jacob Burgher, aged 41, born in Rochester (N.Y.) killed; Private Jacob H. Elliott, aged 29, born in Hartland (Me.), killed; Ira Abbott, wounded, but not dangerously; They all enlisted in Tuolumne County, California. Burgher has two nephews in the same company by the name of Dupuy, and a sister living at Shaw's Flat, California. The bodies were all brought to Deep Creek and there interred with proper ceremonies.

Report of Major Patrick A. Gallagher 3rd California Infantry, Fort Ruby, Nevada Territory
(From the Official Records of the War of the Rebellion, Army, Series I, Vol. 50, Part 1, p. 230)

June 23, 1863 Affair at Cañon Station, Nevada Territory (written on June 28, 1863)

Captain,

I would inform the general commanding that on yesterday Assistant Surgeon Kirkpatrick returned to this post from Cañon Station with Private Abbott, of Company E, who was wounded at that place on the 23d instant. I learn from Abbott that on the morning of the 23d he and Corporal Hervey left the station as a guard to the water cart. After they had left Privates Burgher and Elliott left to go hunting, leaving the station unprotected, something which has not been done since the troops have been guarding the road. Between 11 am and 12 pm as the water cart was returning they were fired upon by Indians, who had made a screen of sage bushes, and Corporal Hervey was shot dead. Private Abbott, although wounded by a ball through his neck, jumped out of the wagon and seized Hervey's gun and pistol, and returned the fire, as did the driver of the water cart. He is confident that they hit three or four of them. This happened within about 500 yards of the station. They immediately drove there, thinking if the balance of the guard was there they might get some of the Indians, but found them gone. Soon after they saw two or three Indians going up the mountain south of the station, one of whom had a bright gun. Although they were upward of 1,200 yards off they fired at them, and from their actions immediately after think that one of them was hit. An express was immediately sent to Deep Creek, and eight of the cavalry left for the scene at once.

On their arrival they found the body of Elliott with thirty-five ball holes in it, horribly mutilated, but not scalped. Soon after they found the body of Burgher with four ball holes in it, and in about the same condition as Elliott's. The bodies of all three were taken to Deep Creek and there buried under the supervision of Lieutenant Hosmer, who left his post immediately on the receipt of the news. The Indians succeeded in getting Burgher's musket and fifty rounds of ammunition; also a double-barreled shotgun and a small quantity of powder and shot from Elliott. I have ordered Lieutenant Quinn to scout in that vicinity, and if possible discover their place of concealment. I have also increased the infantry force along the road, sending every man that can be spared from the garrison. I feel perfectly satisfied that if Burgher and Elliott had not disobeyed orders and left the station they would not have been killed, but on the contrary would have had an opportunity of rendering a good account of some of the Indians, as they were within range of their pieces, and there were seventeen counted.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
Major P. A. Gallagher
Major Third Infantry California Volunteers, Commanding Post