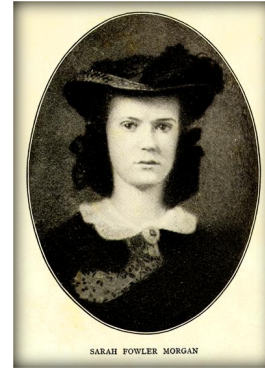
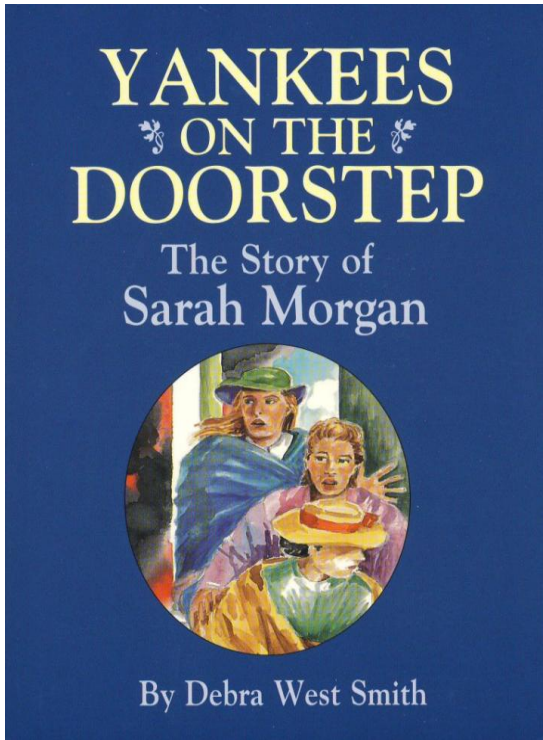


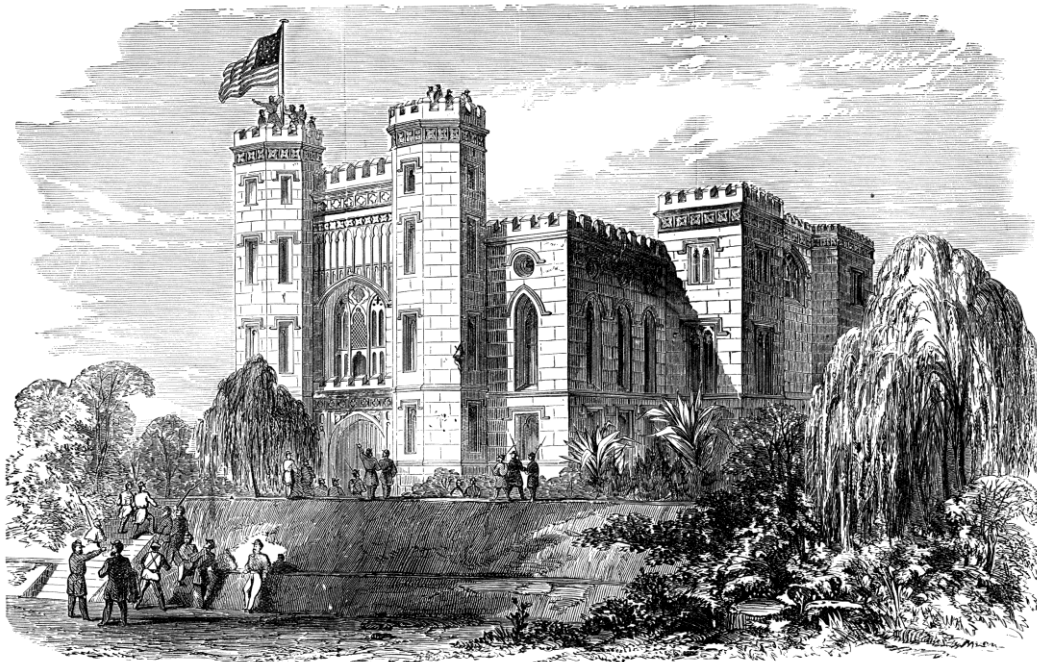
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This Classroom Guide contains
reproducible worksheets for
True/False, Word Search,
Crossword, Recipes
Civil War Battle Map of LA,
and Chapter Review.

by Debra West Smith



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True or False?

1. All Civil War soldiers were volunteers.
2. Abraham Lincoln had family members serving in the Confederate army.
3. Confederate soldiers always wore gray.
4. Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) was a Confederate soldier.
5. The Marine Corps was founded during the Civil War.
6. Louisiana had a large militia defending the ports of New Orleans and Baton Rouge.
7. In 1861, a private in the infantry received about \$13 a month, the price of a musket.
8. Approximately 200,000 Union soldiers were 15-16 years old.
9. Union soldiers outnumbered Confederate soldiers about 2 to 1.
10. More Confederate soldiers were killed in battle than Union soldiers.
11. The first aerial military surveillance was used in the
Civil War.
12. The greatest number of men wounded or killed in a
battle (40,322) was at Shiloh.
13. About the same number died of disease as from
enemy fire.
14. Most soldiers who died were sent home for burial.
15. Desertion was never a problem.



What Women Did

Woodrow Wilson once dedicated a monument to "The Women of the Confederacy, whose fidelity, whose purity, whose courage, whose gentle genius in love and in counsel, kept home secure, and family a school of virtue, the State a Court of virtue; who made war a season of heroism and peace a time of healing; the guardians of our tranquility and strength."

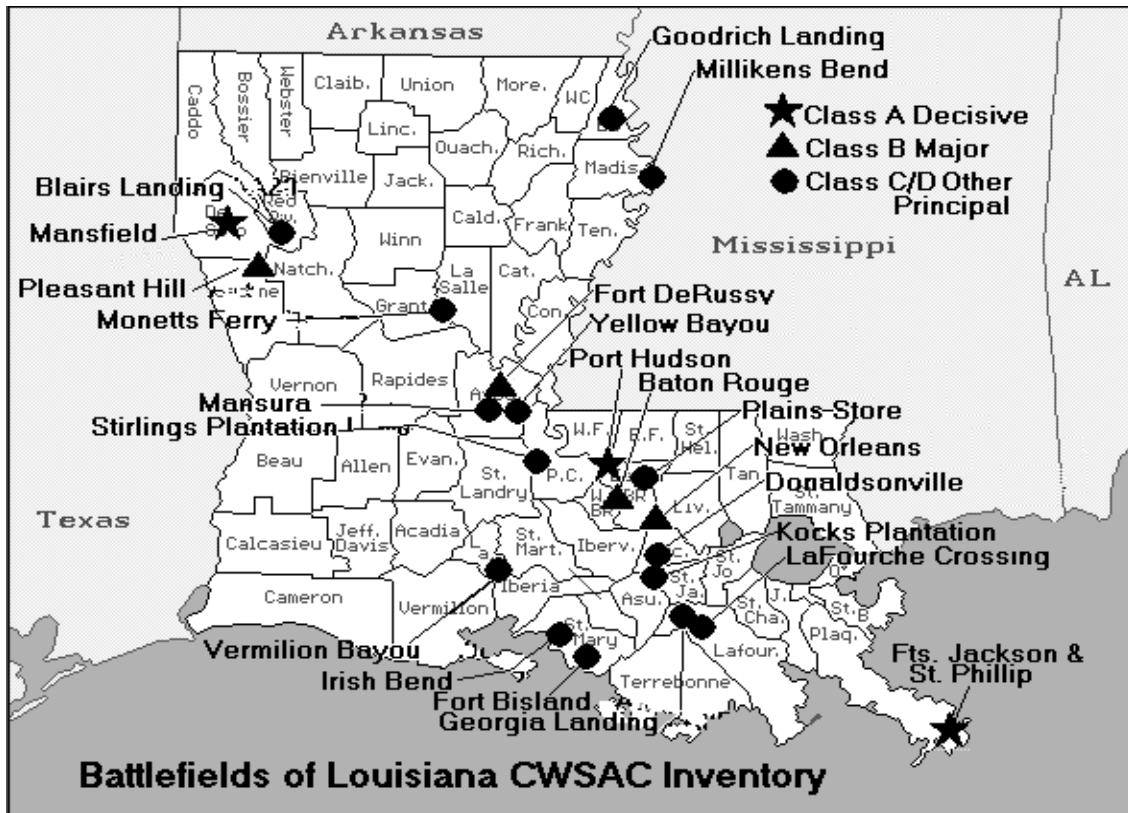
Back home, the ladies had many tasks. See if you can find the following . . .

WIFE	SEW	FUNDRAISING	LETTERS
MOTHER	SOLDIER	AMMUNITION	KNIT
BANDAGE	COOK	TEACH	SPY
NURSE	POET	PLOW	



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Civil War Battle Sites in Louisiana



April 16 – 28, 1862	Fort Jackson/Fort St Phillip
April 25 – May 1, 1862	New Orleans
August 5, 1862	Baton Rouge/Magnolia Cemetary
October 27, 1862	Georgia Landing/Labadieville/Texana
April 12 -13, 1863	Fort Bisland/Bethel Place
April 14, 1863	Irish Bend/Nerson's Woods/Franklin
April 17, 1863	Vermilion Bayou
May 21, 1863	Plains Store/Springfield Road
May 21 – July 9, 1863	Port Hudson
June 7, 1863	Milliken's Bend
June 20 – 21, 1863	LaFourche Crossing
June 28, 1863	Donaldsonville
June 29 – 30, 1863	Goodrich Landing/The Mounds/Lake Providence
July 12 – 13, 1863	Kock's Plantation/Cox's Plantation
September 29, 1863	Stirling's Plantation/Fordoche Bridge
March 14, 1863	Fort DeRussy
April 8, 1863	Mansfield/Sabine Crossroads/Pleasant Grove
April 9, 1864	Pleasant Hill
April 12 – 13, 1864	Blair's Landing/Pleasant Hill Landing
April 23, 1864	Monett's Ferry/Cane River Crossing
May 16, 1864	Mansura/Smith's Place/Marksville
May 18, 1864	Yellow Bayou/Norwood's Plantation

Recipes – Yum!



HARDTACK

Hardtack was a crackerlike biscuit cooked in government bakeries, and shipped to the troops. Many said that it had to be broken with a rifle butt, and might be infested with bugs. One soldier complained, “All the fresh meat we had came in the hard bread!”

Mix 2 cups water and 1 tbsp. salt. Add flour until dough isn't sticky.

Roll out to ½" thick. Cut into 3 ½" squares.

Use the end of a small round spoon to punch holes.

Bake at 400 degrees for one hour.

COFFEE SUBSTITUTE

Wash and dry ripe acorns in shell. Parch until they open. Remove shells.

Roast with bacon fat for a splendid cup of coffee.

RICE GLUE

Mix rice flour with cold water until smooth. Simmer over low fire. It will form a delicate and durable cement, well adapted for joining paper and cardboard ornamental work.

SOUTHERN JOHNNIE CAKE

2 cups cornmeal

2/3 cups milk

½ tsp. salt

2 T. lard

2 tsp. baking soda

Mix into stiff batter and form 8 biscuit-sized “corn dodgers.” Bake on lightly greased pan at 350 degrees for about 20 minutes, or fry in hot oil. Spread with butter or molasses.

CORN CREAM CAKE

1 pint sour cream

1 quart buttermilk

Yellow cornmeal

Baking soda

Mix well to consistency of pound cake. Pour into floured pans 1 inch deep.

Bake in a quick (hot) oven.

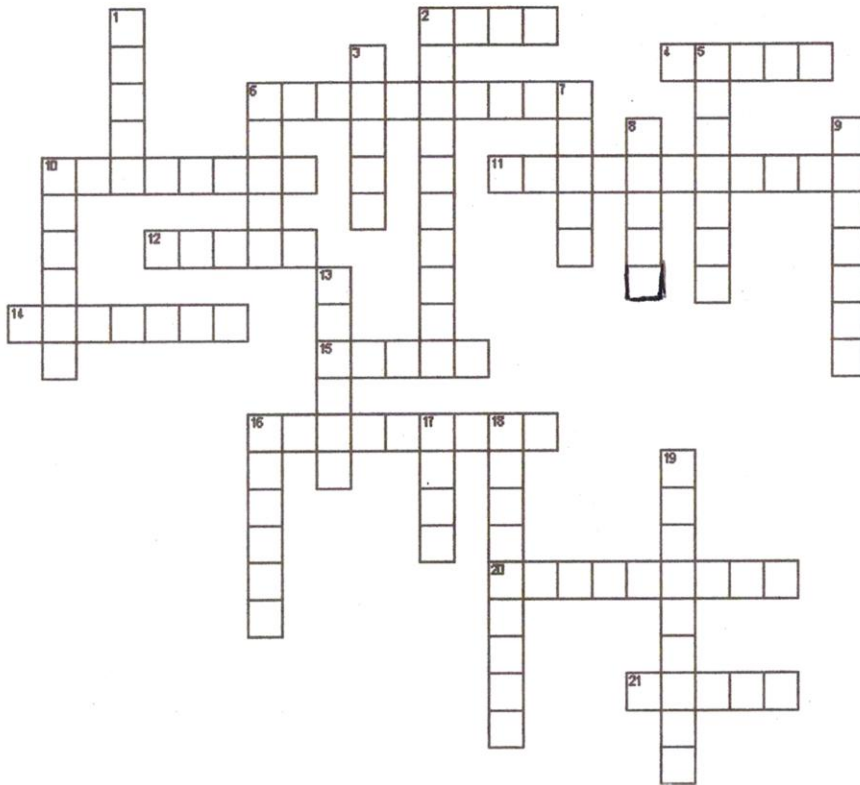


INK

Dissolve ½ pound extract of logwood in 5 gallons hot water. Add ½ ounce potash.

Strain and bottle it for 5 gallons of good cheap ink.

A Confederate Girl's Crossword



DOWN

1. What Sarah heard at the door
2. Important Louisiana battle
3. Place to live
5. Nature's alarm clock
6. General Butler's nickname
7. Union ironclad
8. Sarah's sister, mother of five
9. Plantation where Sarah evacuated
10. Color of Sarah's hair
13. Sarah missed this beverage
16. Sarah's wounded brother
17. Tried to marry Miriam
18. Bayou state
19. Sarah wore his shoes

ACROSS

2. What Sarah felt when thrown from buggy
4. Made with flour
6. Louisiana's capital city
10. Confederate ironclad
11. Flows through Baton Rouge
12. Yankees came from here
14. Sarah's favorite pastime
15. Tried to kiss Sarah
16. Morgans' summer house was here
20. South Louisiana crop
21. Name of Sarah's brother and bird

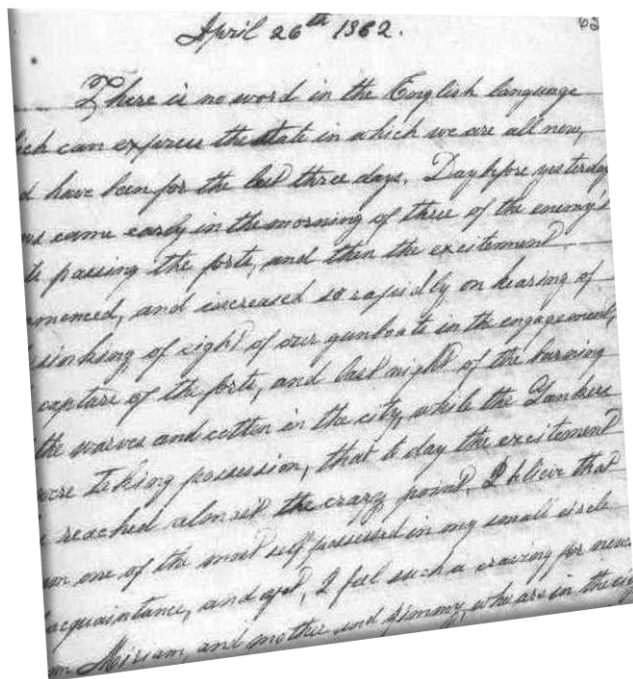
Ailments and Remedies

Match the ailment with the nineteenth-century remedy:

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|---|------------------------------|
| 1. Powdered alum with a little salt. | b. Prevent foot blisters |
| 2. Soft paste made of wheat flour and cold water. | c. Sore throat |
| 4. One teaspoon pulverized charcoal and 1/3 teaspoon soda; mix in very warm water. | d. Toothache |
| 5. Whiskey and the bark of dogwood, poplar, and willow trees. | e. Thirst |
| 6. Cover soles of your stockings with cheap brown soap. | f. Malaria |
| 7. Chew coffee grounds. | g. Burn |
| 8. Cutting and “cupping” (suctioning blood) | h. Sick headache |
| 9. In a cup, mix fresh milk, 2 tsp. pulverized charcoal, and 10 drops spirits of turpentine. Soften the charcoal with a little milk before adding. Gargle frequently. | a. Swelling and inflammation |



Vocabulary



The language of the 19th century may sound strange to 21st century ears. Complete the sentences with the correct words.

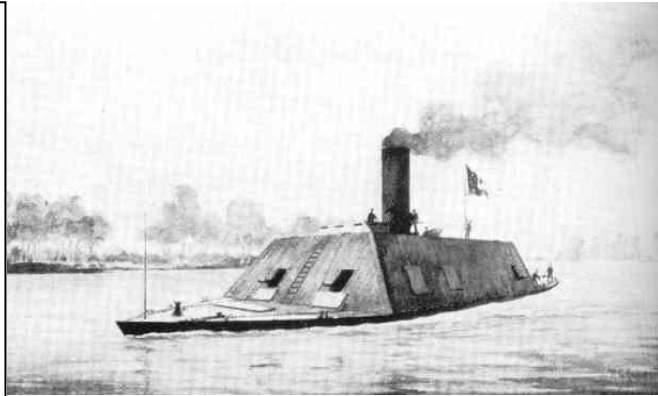
ALLEGIANCE	CONFEDERACY
BLOCKADE	BUSTLE
CONVEYANCE	CREOLE
PERIL	FORTITUDE
DISARRAY	LEVEE
PROPRIETY	PUNGENT

1. Sarah knew that by the rules of _____ it was her turn to speak.
2. Soon the _____ arrived and she managed to get inside.
3. She had just poured a cup of strong _____ coffee when she heard a knock.
4. There was a great deal of noise as gunboats attempted to run the _____.
5. Unknowing eyes would think she wore a healthy _____.
6. A _____ odor drifted on the morning breeze.
7. When they finally climbed the _____, the ironclad ship lay before them.
8. The house was in total _____.
9. As Federal forces neared Port Hudson, Linwood was in greater _____.
10. Sarah admired her brother's _____.
11. The women sang as they left the _____.
12. To enter Federal territory, Southerners had to take an oath of _____.

The First Modern War

IMPORTANT FIRSTS

Multi-manned submarine,
the C.S.S. *Hunley*
Organized use of Negro troops in combat
Income tax (used to finance the war)
Organized care of wounded on the field
Military use of a manned balloon
Naval mines (torpedoes)
Ironclad ships used in combat
Photograph taken in combat
Large-scale use of land mines
Medal-of-honor awarded
to an American soldier



Answers

TRUE/FALSE

1. False – Both sides used a draft.
2. True – Lincoln had 4 brothers-in-law fighting for the Confederacy.
3. False – Confederate soldiers wore whatever they had; many uniforms were butternut colored.
4. True – Clemens briefly served in a Missouri regiment.
5. False – The Marine Corps was formed during the Revolutionary War.
6. False – Many of Louisiana's men fought in Virginia and other states.
7. True
8. True
9. True
10. False – Estimates were 110,000 Union and 94,000 Confederate dead.
11. True – A hot-air balloon
12. False – Gettysburg (at least 51,000)
13. False – About twice as many soldiers died from disease.
14. False – A majority were buried in unmarked graves.
15. False – Desertion was a major problem.

REMEDIES

1. c
2. d
3. g
4. h
5. f
6. b
7. e
8. a

CROSSWORD

Down

1. Knock
2. Port Hudson
3. House
5. Rooster
6. Beast
7. Essex
8. Lilly
9. Linwood
10. Auburn
13. Coffee
16. Gibbes
17. Frank
18. Louisiana
19. Crocodile

Across

2. Pain
4. Bread
6. Baton Rouge
10. Arkansas
11. Mississippi
12. North
14. Writing
15. Frank
16. Greenwell
20. Sugar cane
21. Jimmy

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Review

INTRODUCTION & CHAPTER 1

1. What prompted Sarah to pull out her diaries many years later?
2. Why did she lock them away again?
3. Why were the men of Baton Rouge burning their cotton?
4. Who lived in the Morgan household in April 1862?
5. Where were Sarah's brothers?

CHAPTER 2

1. What did the Federal troops do when they arrived in Baton Rouge?
2. Why was there no opposition?
3. What was the situation in New Orleans?
4. Why was the Mississippi River significant in winning the war?
5. What did Sarah and her friends do to show their patriotism?

CHAPTER 3

1. What happened at the State House (now known as the Old State Capitol)?
2. Describe Sarah's feelings about her public display.
3. What happened the next day at church?
4. Describe her feelings about the "enemy."
5. What was the Morgan family's evacuation plan?

CHAPTER 4

1. What was the result of blockading?
2. Name something a lady never showed in public.
3. What did Sarah do when the Yankees started shelling the city?
4. Why was Sarah's pet bird so important to her?
5. If you had to carry all of your valuables in one suitcase, what would you take?

CHAPTER 5

1. Which “necessaries” did Sarah stuff in her corset?
2. Compare Miriam’s and Sarah’s reactions to the attack.
3. How did Sarah and Lucy lift everyone’s spirits?
4. What happened during Admiral Farragut’s attack?
5. Describe Greenwell (now known as Greenwell Springs).

CHAPTER 6

1. What did it mean to live in an “occupied” city?
2. What could Sarah buy with \$1700 in Confederate notes?
3. How did Sarah get back home?
4. Where did her dinner come from?
5. Describe the scene on the streets of Baton Rouge.

CHAPTER 7

1. After the family returned home, who showed up on their doorstep?
2. How did Sarah react?
3. Why did this create an awkward situation?
4. What was in the barrel delivered to their door?
5. Describe General Williams.

CHAPTER 8

1. Who was Colonel McMillan?
2. How did the Morgan ladies show their compassion?
3. What did it mean to be caught “between two fires?”
4. Why did Sarah describe her diary as a “lightning rod?”
5. How did Sarah spend a normal day?

CHAPTER 9

1. What did Sarah use when she ran out of journals?
2. Why were the citizens of Baton Rouge upset by the arrival of General Butler?
3. What did the sisters invent to more easily carry their things?
4. What did Sarah pack for the next evacuation?
5. What did the Morgans do for entertainment in the evening?

CHAPTER 10

1. What made sleep difficult on warm summer nights?
2. How reliable was the news people received?
3. Why was Sarah's stay at the Asylum like a slumber party?
4. Describe Sarah's "perfect man."
5. What nice surprise did Lucy bring?

CHAPTER 11

1. Where was Sarah during the Battle of Baton Rouge?
2. What was the *Arkansas*?
3. Describe its battle with the *Essex*.
4. What were Sarah's feelings as she watched the fire over her city?
5. Who were the *guerrillas*?

CHAPTER 12

1. What did Sarah and Miriam consider doing to earn a living?
2. Describe Sarah's journey back to Baton Rouge.
3. What did they find at home?
4. What did the Morgan servants do when the other freed slaves left?
5. Why do you think Sarah referred to herself as "Noah's Duck?"

CHAPTER 13

1. As a refugee in Clinton, what did Sarah miss most?
2. How did the girls help support their soldiers?
3. Who lived at Linwood Plantation?
4. Why was Port Hudson important?
5. How were Sarah and Miriam different?

CHAPTER 14

1. Describe life at Linwood.
2. What was “Confederate silver?”
3. How did Sarah feel about education?
4. What happened to Gibbes at Sharpsburg?
5. What was his homecoming like?

CHAPTER 15

1. What treat did the soldier from Tennessee enjoy?
2. Why was “grinding season” fun at Linwood?
3. What caused the accident at Port Hudson?
4. What was her first thought after being thrown from the carriage?
5. Describe Sarah’s medical treatment.

CHAPTER 16

1. What progress did Sarah make in December?
2. Why did Will Carter think Miriam would marry him?
3. Describe Christmas at Linwood.
4. What was Sarah’s news of her home in Baton Rouge?
5. What did General Carter do to lift everyone’s spirits?

CHAPTER 17

1. Where had Sarah's family scattered to by February 1863?
2. What was Sarah's greatest challenge?
3. How many Confederate soldiers prepared to meet the Yankee assault on Port Hudson?
4. Where was Sarah when the attack began?
5. What were her thoughts?

CHAPTER 18 & CONCLUSION

1. Why did Sarah's mother decide to go to New Orleans?
2. What had Sarah vowed not to do until she was married?
3. How did Sarah feel about leaving Linwood?
4. What forms of transportation did they use for this journey?
5. What did the boat's passengers do as they left the Confederacy?
6. What was the "oath of allegiance?"
7. What do you think of Sarah's solution?
8. What was Sarah's condition in April 1863?
9. How did she feel about her diary?
10. Did Sarah ever find her "perfect man?"
11. How did Sarah use her writing skills later in life?
12. Despite suffering and loss, Sarah always seemed to bounce back. What kept her going?

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