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OBITUARY.

"SERG'T DAVID C. KERR, son of Jesse and Polly Ann Kerr, died at the residence of his brother, in Blount County, Tenn., of measles and consumption, on the 21st of May, 1862, in the 22d year of his age.

Patriotism led him to abandon his home and join the Young Guards, 1st Regiment Tennessee Cavalry, in defence of his country. He was in the battles of Murfreesboro' and Somerset, in the latter he was taken prisoner. After suffering in the Northern prisons for ten days, he was exchanged and came to Knoxville and got a furlough from Gen. Pegram for eight days to remount himself. During which time he took the measles, settled on his lungs, and died in a few days. His aged and bereaved parents have lost in him an affectionate and dutiful son; his fellow-soldiers and messmates, a firm friend; society one of its brightest ornaments; and his country one of its most true and faithful defenders. Peace to the ashes of the departed brave."

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