

hotels were crowded, and ladies filled the balconies over the porches. The step of the men was kept up to that quick movement which takes them over a good deal of ground in a short space of time. Just as the chimes of Trinity struck half-past seven, with silver cadence, the head of the long column was abreast the Trinity buildings. The intention had been to cross South Ferry and march up Atlantic avenue, but just after six o'clock a large fire broke out at the foot of Broadway, in a big cotton warehouse, and the throng of engines and firemen created such an obstruction that it was deemed better to change the route to Wall street ferry. Instead of continuing down past Trinity Church, the head of the column wheeled into Wall street. It was an hour when that busy thoroughfare is thought to be very quiet, but last night it was sufficiently alive with a thronging crowd.

At Pearl street the Ninth Regiment halted and formed in line on the right, the head of the column resting on Pearl street, and extending nearly or quite up to the Custom House. The Ringgold Horse Guards formed in line below Pearl street. Both commands stood at "present arms," and the Thirteenth marched past in review, the band playing a lively march. The last salute was given, and the Ninth took up the route for its armory up town, while the Thirteenth stood in column on the open square in front of the ferry house. The delay was brief, however, and soon the column filed through the gates of the ferry house and upon the boat. As she swung out from the slip the "boys" broke out into a song, "Home again," and kept it up all the way across the river. Then they began to cheer. It was evident that the arduous journey had not taken the fun out of them, and they were as lively as need be. They were delighted with their reception in New York. From the depot to the ferry it was a perfect ovation.

It was just after 8 o'clock when the boat entered the ferry slip at the foot of Montague street, and the "boys" poured into the street amid the ringing cheers of the crowd assembled to receive them. The terrace above the ferry was crowded, and as the command marched by the roadway under the arch, they were greeted with cheers that made the air ring.

The Twenty-third had demanded the honor of receiving them, and thus return the courtesy with which the Thirteenth welcomed them when Colonel Ward and his men returned from Hornells-