

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 145. }

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
*Washington, September 29, 1862.*

I..The Department is informed that certain general officers of the Volunteer Service, on being relieved from their commands, or transferred from one command to another, have occasionally carried off with them the soldiers employed as clerks or orderlies at their former headquarters. Not only had they no right and should have known better than to do so, but it was wrong in their superiors in command to permit it; nor will it again be permitted.

II..All soldiers so separated from their regiments will be immediately returned to them; and the commanding officers of all regiments, from which men are thus irregularly detached, shall, if the latter be not returned within a reasonable time, promptly report the facts to this office, for the further action of the Department.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

L. THOMAS,  
*Adjutant General.*

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