



Collecting Wages from the Paymaster

A private in the Union army received \$13 a month in wages, a Confederate private, \$11. When enlistment declined, bonuses were offered by the Federal and state governments. Young soldiers soon learned, however, that army pay was not as

regular as had been promised. Some men were not paid for months on end. Here we see a pay line in the camp of a lucky regiment whose paymaster arrived in time for payday.