December 26, 1862

Wheeler confronts Wharton at Hurricane Creek, Whidger and Cruft flank Wheeler and he retreats back to LaVergne.

Davis pushes Wharton out of Nolensville to Knob's Gap.
December 27, 1862

Wood's Division drives Maney and Wheeler from LaVergne.

Hazen and Hascally cross Stewart's Creek and establish a bridgehead. The rest of the Left Wing comes up to the creek.

After a delay due to fog, Johnson pushes Wharton and Wood out of Triune. A second flight south of town is delayed by a sleet storm.

Wood retreats to Eagleville and Wharton stops halfway between Eagleville and Triune.
December 28, 1862

A reconnaissance by Willich and Zahm reveals that the Confederates are heading towards Murfreesboro.
December 29, 1862

Thomas and Rousseau's Division leave Stewartsburg in the afternoon and reach the battlefield by the evening.

Crittenden's Wing reaches the Stones River and forms for battle. Negley posts to Crittenden's right.

McCook halts at Overall Creek. He will reach the battlefield on December 30th.