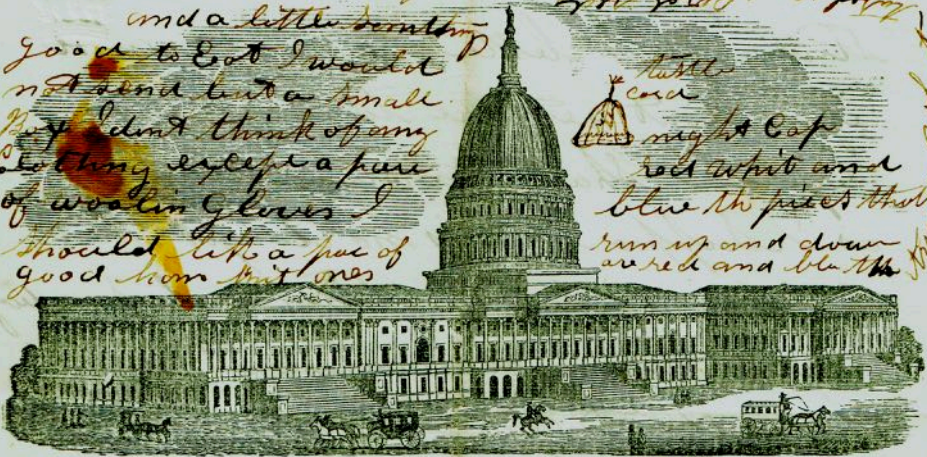


I want you to send me some letter paper when you send me a box. and a flannel night cap and a little something

good to eat I would not send but a small box I don't think of any clothing except a pair of woolen gloves I should like a pair of good non-~~but~~ ones



tulle cord
 the night cap
 red white and blue the piece that runs up and down are red and blue

Thomas write

you may send a ^{UNITED STATES CAPTION} notice when you please unless you hear of our moving ^{tattle} to the 12th Regiment New Hampshire Vols., Col. Potter. your own time and ^{COMPANY} I shall send for some thing thing that I can't think of now. At Arlington Heights Oct 14. 1862.

Dear Mary
 I believe I have written some from or five letters to you and and I have received one of from you and that is all I have received some I left home and have written in all 15 or 16 I believe. but I don't blame you any for I suppose you have moved to Franklin's before this and that is enough for any one to do without writing. but tell I feel anxious

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to hear from you. and I shall look
strong for a letter to night and
if I dont get one to night I
suppose I shall tomorrow night
as I suppose there is no doubt that
you and severall others wrote Sunday
I dont know just how long it takes
the mail to com out here. we get
the mail about 6 o'clock P.M. here
well I believe I told you something about
our having an order Friday night to
prepare to march immediately so we
went and pack our knapsacks and
every thing expecting to go. but here
we are still and there is no knowing
when we shall go for we are under
marching orders and liable to be called
on at any moment. It has been quite
cool here for a few days I have not
seen the sun since Friday night at
sunset but there is some prospect of its
coming out to day, we have seen nothing
that looks like a rebel yet.

Well may I cant think of any news
to write you to day. Every thing goes
on about so each day we get up in the
mornig, have roll call then soon after
come breakfast. Then come a drill from
Seven and a quarter to nine and a quarter
then we dont have any thing to do but
eat dinner untill three P-M we then
drill two hours. and at sunset we go
on dress parade which takes one half to three
quarters of an hour we have supper just
befor dress parade then we have roll call
at nine P.M. and then all go to bed. we
cant go of barge round nights we
have to be on hand at roll call and
after that we cant get out side of
the line so we have nothing to do but
go to bed. we can go a boat when
we please between half past 7 ^{un} and 3 o'clock
P.M. that is this side of the river cant
go over that. It is so far over to where
William is that I cannot go and get
back soon as that I have not heard
from him since he was over to see

me and I have not heard from
Sammy since I was in to see him
we are not but a little ways
from him and it seems hard to
think we so near him and can
not go and see him once in a while
The boys have got riled up some
about their rations, they don't
all that belongs to us and what
we do get is not half cooked
so last night they concluded to
have a new cook, and they took a
vote last night at roll call
put John Knights in spokesman
and voted H Nelson, (or Judge
Nelson as we all call him at home)
in as chief cook and George Hicks
out. well may how do you get along do
they all talk hold and lend you a helping
hand have you got the stuff all in. How do the
children like their new home. How is the
weather there now. what do you get for your new
and get my news at all here I saw the New
York tribune this morning for the first time.