

Adrian Fay to Sarah Flint  
U.S. Genl. Hospital, Philadelphia  
11 Feb 1863

Thursday Morning

Let me have a first rate time  
last night I tell you we  
had fun enough, I wish you  
could have seen the performance  
they have something a going on  
every night here but they won't  
let us go only once in a while  
I went to the Academy of music last  
Monday night and had a  
pretty good time there it is the  
most splendid building I ever  
saw it was trimmed off with red  
white & blue and the glorious  
Col. Stars & Strips was hanging  
on either side it looked much  
better to me than <sup>the</sup> Friedrichs <sup>Bar</sup>  
Hall I guess I have searched none  
else enough for this time

Write soon for you don't know  
how bad I want to hear from  
you

Direct it

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Dear Sarah

I have been trying  
to find something to busy  
myself with to day. But  
I couldn't so I am tired up trying  
any more, and I thought  
I would try and write you  
a few lines just to keep  
myself at mischief &  
to give you a kind of an  
idea of where I am so  
that if you do take a  
notion to write to me you  
will know where to direct to  
I left Washington last Saturday  
& got here Sunday morning

I like it better here in  
Philadelphia than I did in  
Washington all except one  
thing. They dont give us half  
the liberties here that they did  
at the C. H. Hall. They wont  
let us go out into the City  
only once in seven days and  
that isnt half often enough  
these were pleasant days  
I want to be out all the  
time. I cant help but stay here  
cooped up in this old brick  
cage all the time it is worse  
than States prison with a quill pen  
man. So I dont had any  
letter from you yet. I presume  
you have sent one to Washington  
But it is doubtful what  
I get it or not. I wish I  
could get a letter to day for  
I am curious to hear from  
Shirley

to know if the imbalance  
of that saved down on all  
in good health, and various  
to know what this mean  
Topic of conversation is. I  
hope Mrs. Henry (and all is  
in as good humor as they  
was when I left, I think the  
Old Lady would have been  
glad to have had me over  
there so that she could have  
seen me Org again.

Well Sarah it has  
got to be sunny and the  
Hall is illumined with gas  
so it is as light as day  
There is 26 Parts in this Room  
and as many more up stairs  
and I dont know how many  
There is in the Ward below  
Late the oldest monks come along  
just now I says I may go  
to the Concert to night

Alas I wish the  
 next time you write  
 you would write so that  
 a fellow could read it  
 it took me more than  
 2 hours to read the damn  
 thing it was worse than  
 my writing ours does  
 I hope you dont write so  
 poor when you <sup>write to</sup> John the  
 maker if I should get  
 a letter <sup>(from the galls, I mean)</sup> as good as that  
 was I took me as long  
 to read it as it did me  
 to read that. I should  
 write Book that I prefer  
 print Oh mate there  
 is a Dutch man here  
 from Pa that gets me  
 to write his letters and  
 you may but I have  
 seen I know write a 1/2  
 to his girl & you'd laugh  
 if you could read one  
 of them

in days) you may write to him  
 that I desire that his stay might  
 end I want to see his so had  
 I cant wait till I get my discharge  
 we have and it will be an after  
 that I dont know when he will

M. J. you Haffstar Philadelphia  
 February 16<sup>th</sup> 1863  
 Malley Dear

I recd your  
 letter to day I was  
 glad to get it for it  
 is the first I have  
 heard from Shertoun  
 since I left I have been  
 so all killing. I am soon  
 since I come here I  
 dont know what to  
 do with my damn self  
 it is a good place enough  
 only they dont give us  
 a chance to go out into  
 the city enough they  
 dont give passes only  
 every other day anyway

and some times sit in  
pains as 5 days I have  
been here 9 days and I  
have had 3 passes. But  
was out some evenings  
one night I went to  
a concert and the other  
night I went to the  
Academy of music  
had five half times too  
(I did) if they would  
let me go out just  
when I wanted to I  
would be as happy as  
a skunk

I haven't got those letters  
yet. But I am looking  
for them every day  
I don't see how in the world  
in their promotion of code  
that they can get me up  
as high as sweet Larch  
(there is some thicomy there

I guess. But let them  
mark. Add month  
belong to the 105 two  
months from now I'll  
bet you. I'll see them  
Redmond before I go  
back again. I'll see my  
time out in the regular  
Cavalry first before I'll  
go and take a knapsack  
around it's any more  
I hope I shall get Pats letter  
I must write to him to  
morrow. My arm is so  
that I can use it some  
But the darn thing where  
the Ball went in  
has Brake out again &  
keeps sore yet it has  
commenced to heal up  
again. I think it will be all  
well in a few days  
it healed up to soon before

that Doehman is a good  
Boy. I like him first  
he wants me to go home  
with him if we both  
get our Discharge here  
and he'll show me his  
france he was wounded  
at Fredericksburg in the  
arm and he got a furlough  
and went home and got  
more fatally wounded  
with one of Camp's shots.  
So I guess he is sure of  
a Discharge.

I wrote a letter to Char  
Field & one to Montrose  
the other day.  
to day is a awful pleasant  
day it is as pleasant  
as summer.

Evening

I did get out a letter  
while this afters noon.  
I got a pass up one  
of the Boys he had  
been out and run all  
he wanted to and then  
he came in and  
let me take it and  
I went out a little while  
I Burned around a  
while and then came  
Back

then I think I  
have written all I  
can think of and  
more too so I guess  
I want write any  
more this time  
Write soon and  
tell me all the  
news  
from Add

Oh yes you think  
I had a serious time  
of it when I went to  
the P O do you?  
Ohell I didnt I had a  
first rate goat time  
and you may blow as  
much as you please  
But I think you would  
do well to dry  
up about the P O  
(some has enough)

I  
give my respects  
to all the folks  
and yells

So