

(Nov. 24, 1863)

not had the luck to find  
any so good looking ones.

Well I guess I have written  
a leaf enough this time you  
cant read half of this I dont  
believe. Dear me. I wish I  
could see you & cant think  
of any thing to write you  
this evening. Please write to  
a Pass Maetah as often as  
you can and I will write  
as often as I can. Give my  
love to Sadie. Will you  
and tell her I love her as the  
only. Dearest of all on earth  
for she is that to me.

Now I must stop writing for  
it is getting late. But I am not  
sleepy though I could easily sit  
up till 5 o'clock if I was with  
you Dearest. Except a Dancer  
hisses from your Adrian  
Hoven Will you Darling and may  
we meet a year.

Tuesday Evening  
Sadie. I commenced  
a letter last night but I  
neglected putting it into the  
office so it did not go out  
to day. And as it will not  
go out until tomorrow I  
thought I would make a  
little addition to it this ev-  
ing and send it all along  
to gether. The days do not seem  
to be so long now as they did  
last week I am getting so  
that I like the place here a  
great deal better than I did.  
We have pretty good times here  
a great deal better than I did  
and we would have when  
we first came here. They  
have got a library here where  
we can go and get a Book  
any time. We meant to



Then I have got thro' short  
turned in side out - just say  
my luck. But never mind it  
is all in the three years (as the  
Boys say). Well I wish I could  
just step in and see you to  
night. Would you like company  
this evening? you would  
like to go to a supper  
Party to night. Wouldnt you  
will you go if I will?

I am glad we did not go that  
night for I know that I  
engaged my self a great  
deal better with you than I  
could possibly if I had gone  
down there. Not withstanding  
I lost so much sleep by  
the means. But I soon got  
over that. And I would not  
mind losing two or three  
nights sleep this week  
if I could be where I would  
like to be

of all going in next  
time. The first next time  
I suppose your school comes  
next Monday. How I wish I  
was a - then I was a going to  
say Schaalmarm - I dont mean  
that. But a school Practis so  
I could be teaching school  
rather than be here waiting to  
get well enough to go to the  
Grant again. I hope you will  
have good luck this winter with  
your school and not have any  
great ugly hateful scholars to  
put a long with. I told Et.  
that I would send her some  
shells when I got back here  
to put in a breath. But I have  
not found any very good  
ones yet. There is not so  
good shells to be found here  
as I found on Pedlowes I  
lost spring or else I have



David's Island

Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>

Dear Mother

I received your  
letter yesterday morning was  
glad to hear from home again  
I did not expect when I wrote  
to you before that I should  
stay here so long as I have  
But I have stay here this  
long and I do not know  
how much longer I shall  
stay I shant go untill they  
get ready to send me.  
My health is quite good



now I think I am as fit  
to go to the Regt as I am  
shall be I told the Judge  
so the other day. But he  
said wait a few days longer  
so I think I shall wait  
till he gets ready to send me  
a way Grant has you I  
got a letter from him to  
day he is at Bedlow Island.  
But will be sent to Washing  
an on before a great while  
if he has not gone already  
Henry is here yet we shall  
keep together as long as  
we can. Will I have no  
news to write this time  
hoping to hear from you all  
soon I am as ever yours  
affectionately Sam

Adrian