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Arlington Heights

Camp Sured Absant friend it has been some time since I have seen you and it will be some time before you see me again I am well but half of the boys is sick but not very Dangros when we left Jamestown they wanted to leave me there but I would not stay there the day that left Jamestown I spraint ankle so that I could not step on it but it is getting better now other ways I am well Gustave(?) Ackley is not verry well Day fore yesterday he was very sick but says that he could be (?) to eat dinner he would ___ better I think that I could eat some myself it commenced to rain last night and rains now and it is groin cold fast it has been very warm here last wensday it was hoter that it eney time last ___ we have had orders to march we are in Caseys Division they say that we are going to farefax Cortehous the boys seem anxuous to go they are cooking up todays rations Daniel Gardner is cooking and Harvy Inman is helping him tell melvin I would like to see him and melvina and all the rest and Charles Ricaslead to write to me and will try to answer it it is rather harde plas to write for we hafta set on the Ground and lay our napsack on our lap I have been over and had my likeness taken and I am going to send it so that ___ can see his Henry Direct to Washington D.C. 154 Regiment New York volenteers in care of Henry Huckleboone

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Dear Uncle and Aunt Friend H.C. just told me that he has written you saying that I could write along if I chose I took my pen and commenced scribbling as fast as possible I would have been glad to write you a full letter but our camp is all excitment today on account of the report that we were signed over to General Seigels command some were gâad and some are not for they well know that they would soon be obliged to go into action for he is known to be a man of war and not of pretention I was glad for one for I want to fight if we have gone so far I dont wish to be a soldier longer than is necessary I either want to fight or go home I dont want to live camp life long I tell you We are not only starved but are obliged ___ on the dirt and eat in too I wish you could see us when we are trying to get our meals but one ___ to cook our coffee Meat and Rice ___ tin plate one fork and knife and one spoon nothing but the raw material without any spicing our meat (?) we sometimes chain ~~xx~~ in order to keep it from running away our bread is quite good thats the only article thats decent It has been very hot here for 4 or 5 days back now it is more cool. It rained last night and part of the day today. I have been sick for 2 days past with the chill fever. I took a severe cold in the start attend ___ with the cursed disease diarrhea. I am so as to be writing for the Captain today most of the time the books have all but left and now I have them all so make out I am rond of writing so I dont care my being apprentice clerk I am escape from standing on guard which is worth \$5.00 Dollars a month to I dont think I would stand it to be out all night in the fog. I know I wouldnt I am excused from drill too when I have writing to do.