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Nov. 8, 1863

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finished inside. The cars run through three tunnels between here and Louisville one was over one mile through I think. The country between here and Louisville looks more like N.Y. State than it does in other States where we have been. We have been one week coming here if we had come through on the express we could come in about one fourth of the time. We do not know whether we will leave here to-day or not. I will mail this here probably I shall not write again until I get to the Regt. you must write often

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could take him there. we have our tent all maid at the new camp excepting takeing the tenting off this and puting it on that. it has ben rainy for 3 days. I think they will move him to-day or to-morrow if the weather will permit. he has a Feever I have helped to do all I could for him and I have had no time to write and do not feal like writing now. in my last letter I wrote for you to send me those Socks aunt Betsy gave me. Christmas pased with us the same as any other day and I suppose New Years day will be the same I hope you will injoy it I wished I could send Lizzie a new years gift but I cannot I have not seen T.K.B. since I came to the Regt. you wrote in that letter that was adressed to Parole C. that I rec last week about a dream that you dreamed I was there and told you that I never was agoing to leave you again &c that is my mind exactly I have thought and said many times that if I lived to go home I would spend the remainder of my days with my family and could content myself with home let it be ever so humble. I have ben writing some to Otto.
Dec 29 It is pleasant to-day I must go over to Camp and mail my letters. write often and I will do the same S.R.G.

Lide how does your Father & Mother get along do the save any thing or does it take all they can get to live will they be prepared to make the payment on that land your Father bought. let me know next time you write what you think about it You need not trouble yourself about that two dollars I owe C J Anderson I was not to pay it until I rec. my pay he does not expect it until then, and sais he hopes you was to no trouble about it Anderson is Co. Cook now.

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had some Bean Soop for Dinner. yesterday noon (Mond) we rec one days rations 1 lb Hard Bread and last Eav. we rec. two more. it was rather hard to go without food in the way we did but we got along mutch better than any one would expect there was no supplies here for this corps they arrived to the landing on the river yesterday and the teams was going a good part of the night it would surprise you to see the trains of wagons six mules to each wagon going with or after Supplies. our camp is on the main road from the Boat landing. Jany 1 we received the sad news of the death of O.M. Taylor also of the death

of Mrs Mc.Bride. Mc Bride is a member of our Company Jany 7 P. Wheelock was taken to Hospital Jany 1 he is getting better I am one of three that takes care of him we do no other duty I had twice rather do duty in the company but I am willing to do what I can for any one that is sick we stay to our tents in company when we are not with him. I saw Tom B. he looks mutch better than he did the last time I saw him (last Summer) our Supplies come all right again we have plenty to eat now Lide I suppose you will think of sending me some things if others do we cannot get them through yet if you do start them but you will hear when it is so we can get sutch things and perhaps you will send some things to me

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Camp 154 Regt N.Y.V.
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Feb 18, 1864

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The Regt was paid to-day up to Dec 31, 1863 those that was regularly paid received onley two months pay. we was paid all in greenbacks no allotments I rec. fourteen months pay \$182. one hundred and eighty-two Dollars I had onley twelve months pay due up to Dec. 31, but the two mo. pay I got at parole camp has not ben sent in to our paymaster yet from the general pay department. it will be deducted

on some other payment there was no charges against me. I hope you will fret no more about my not getting my pay and come to the conclusion that I was telling you the truth when I said I should get it all right if I had not knowne it was so I should not wrote so to you. I hope you will rec what I send you all right. I must give you a word of caution about the money but perhaps it is unnessesary for I think you have learned the nead of money and will appreciate the valye of it and use it acordingly it is for your owne interest to be prudent

and saveing of it as mutch as it is myne I do not not know how I shal send it yet but I think I Shal send it by express I have now on hand 185.40 and between two & three dollars due me and I owe none here now.
Feb. 19

I shall go to Chattanooga to-day if I can get a pass whitch I expect, to express some money to you. what money you do not want to use let some one have payable on demand or put it in the Bank for you or I might want some at any time. if you let any one have any be shure and let some one have it that is good

and safte to pay I worked to hard for it to not want to be carefull of it now besides we nead it and there is enough that is good that will take it if not put it in the Bank or keep it your self

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Head Quarters 154th Regt. N.Y.S. Vols.
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Henry Van Aernam
Surgeon 154th N.Y.S. Vols.

Med. Director's Office
11th Corps April 12th 64
Approved and respectfully
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G.S. Palmer
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Hd.Qrs. Dept. Cumb'd,
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Resacca Ga.
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I am writing this in the Sanitary Commission Office and since I commenced this I head one of the Ag't say that he had ben helping take up the body of Col. Gamby of the 55th Ohio this forenoon it was the first that I had heard of his death the body is in the cars here and will leave this afternoon for the north also the remains of 4 of an Ind. Reg. they are in metallic coffins and then put in strong Boxes I did not have mutch time to talk with Wellman as the train made a short stay here. he said our Cular Sergt was killed. he was Brother to the cullar Sergt. that was Killed at Chancelors V. I suppose you have heard from the Reg. or will before

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U.S.
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what your father and all of the rest are doing my Cousin
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the hard fighting is over. now Lide do not fret about me I
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U. S.
Christian Commission

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Otto Catt. Co. N.Y. May 10/65

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It is Raining this afternoon. Apple Trees are begining to blossom. There is no working Parties on our R. Road now The[y] have stoped work for a while Think they will go at work on R. Road Soon again. We are all as well as usual. Elizabeth Green sewing at Elder Thompson's in Littlevalley. Elizabeth has bought her a Sewing Machine Such an one as Mary's. I Think Libie will work a[t] Littlevalley this Summer. Samuel A. Green Does Not talk of comeing home. We Shall Large crops of grass here this Summer I think. Cows are worth here from \$40. to \$75. There is a Large Cheese Factory Building at 5 Points in Mansfield This Spring also one at Frank Stebbin's Lois Lines Still works for C. Jewetts in Ellicottsville. Lois was at home to make a visit about two weeks ago Stayed two days.

We Plowed Garden This forenoon. Jef. Davis has got in Texas I Think he Robed the Banks in Richmond before he left. It is Suposed he carried of[f] two or hundred Thousand Dollars in Specie with him. Abel Green Sold his three year old Steers last Monday for \$140. Doo you Suppose Government will arrest Those Deserters that Deserted Some time ago. The Paddies had quite Row here last week William Cooper came to Waverly to levy on the goods in the R. Road Store alsoe the money in their Safe he Put the money in the Safe and The Irish men made a rush on him and Stabed him twice & Took the Safe & money & two of the clerks up North on R. Road a[t] Austin Morris & made the clerks Pay the money to them for their Labour. They had not been paid in Some Time & They wanted the money.

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Mrs. Eliza G. Green,
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Received by Mrs. Eliza G. Green
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Yours Truly
B. Green

I have made a scetch of this camp It is not in verry good shape but will give you something of an idea of the shape of the camp I parchaly marked out some of the tent but could not aford to mark the hole. one thing I forgot that is the music I have not room now to place them they are to the right of Co. A. we are on a roling piece of land. on each side of us is a brook the country is well wattered here we get all of our watter for drinking and cooking from springs there is plenty of them here they are generly riley the watter is soft we will have the tents we have without we go in to Winter quarters so as we can take them with us on the martch and other Reg in this Brigade will have the same each man carries one piece about two yards square

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ON THE BACK OF THIS UNDATED LETTER IS A SKETCH OF THE
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