

Washington D.C.  
Dec 6th 1862

Dear Mother

I received the Box  
on the 5th and glad  
to get it. I got Georges letter  
on Thursday and was glad  
to hear from you But I was  
glad when I heard the Draf  
ted men had come to Was  
hington. I was on Guard at  
the time some of the Boys  
went down to see them it was  
on Thursday Afternoon it was  
four oclock when I got off of Guard  
so I could not go to see them that  
night I come off at four in  
the morning and Me and Phil  
went Down to see  
the Boys the Drafted Marched

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to the River Wednesday night  
and we thought they had gone  
for they said they thought they  
would go that night one of  
the drafted men was here [page torn  
in the morning and he said  
they would go before long  
got a pass and off we went  
at Double quick we went to  
the long bridge 1 mile and a ½

from here and kept down  
the Potomac 3/4 of a mile to  
where they was at the warf  
I got there about half past 8 and  
stayed till 2. I seen Jacob Pentz  
and Ed Pentz Issac Myers two  
Besels Boys cal coal and Nighthast  
and Jim Bilday the man  
that thrashed our Buckwheat  
and a good many more  
that I can't think of the Drafted  
men left on Thursday afternoon

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bound for Fortress Monroe  
While we were there Scotts Cavalry  
come to Guard the Drafted  
22 of them they formed the  
Guard to keep the men from  
Going out around the City  
the Cavalry road up to the men  
and were a going to make them  
get aboard the Steam Boat  
they drove the men like hogs  
across the Brige nearly to the Bo  
when the men got up spunk  
and drove them Back if the  
men would have had their guns  
they would not have Drove  
them their guns are the old Muskets Bill  
Young told them he had rather be  
fore them than Behind  
Dan Steffon was here to see me  
on Thursday and I was down the

river to see them and did not see him then  
he was here yesterday Afternoon  
and stayed 3 or 4 hours He got a

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ferlow for 4 or 5 days Len  
Blystone was along with him  
dan eat dinner and supper with  
us he went by here this morning  
he says he will be here to see us  
again to day if he does not go  
and stay over night with us  
I had a good time to get the Box  
I went to the express Office But  
could not get it Because I had no  
order from my captain so back I  
went and got the Order and went  
and got the Box and started for  
my tent which was 1/2 miles from  
the Express Office I put my Box  
on the street cars a got it hauled  
for 5 cents to the Treasury Office Camp near us  
I am much oblige to you for the Box all  
the things kept well not a cake broken.  
Tell Liz and Eva and George I am much obliged  
to them for the apples the Boys say they  
are the nicest they have seen this year  
Give my love to G.Mother all the boys are well at the present  
Good by W.A.Cutter