

Monday [March] 16th 1863

Dear Brother

I received your letter  
to day & was glad to hear from you  
I am well at Present & hope you are the  
same the weather changes often last night it  
snowed 2 inches it is warm now the sun is hot  
but it is cloudy. Last Night it thundered & lightening  
very hard & rained sleet till it snowed I seen Joe  
Hooker to day while on Guard I got two Papers the other day  
Jim Odonel told me the Sunday Before about 2 weeks Before the Reg left  
that he was going to get a discharge in two weeks but he left with  
his Regiment this Regiment is at Bells Plains I seen six  
Rebels the Patrols took them to the Provost Marshal Office  
so Bill has got a fellon on his finger has he I thought last  
week I was a going to have on myself But I did not and it left--  
My Finger was sore & I squeezed it like the devil  
when I opened your letter I jumped back with a  
stair for right in the corner was a goose and he had  
shit all over that side I seen Burnside today but did  
not know him General Martindale goes by four or five times a day  
general Casey I have seen often one day there was much as 50  
marched to the war department past me at one time 2 months ago  
last night was a cold night as we have had for some time  
there was a fire at ten oclock last night in Semkins Jewelry Store  
No 326 Penn Avenue the ceiling of the front room was burnt some  
& great deal of damage done to the property the Expedition of  
the Yazoo captured 26 Rebels Steamers Bully for our side  
It is said that General Sigel will Probably withdraw his  
Resignation it is St Patricks day in the morning now  
that is all at present from W.A. Cutter now under  
Glorious Mansion  
\_\_\_\_\_ and Stripes of our

[end of letter]

Please Hand this to Geo H. Cutter

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