

Washington, D.C.
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Dear Brother

I received yours and having a few moments to spare I thought I would write you a few lines the boys are all well as usual and I am the same the weather is fine the folks here have commenced the cutting of their corn and it is not very good Mrs. Lincoln come home night before last she had been over the white mountains she and Tad they were gone 6 or seven weeks and of course had a good time for all I know well Bill how do you think by this time about old Abe getting to be next President do you think he will take up that way I think he will be all right with the Army I want you to see to getting me assessed we soldiers have to pay ten cts you tend to that and send me the receipt to show so I can vote then how are you Abe Lincoln for your years more in the White House I hear the Copperheads had a bond fire on the Diamond it is a pity that some of them hadnt got burnt with it they say old Tom Seymore the next morning picked up 37 pounds of nails and for all I know they had copperheads on how is all the folks by this time give my respect to Mrs. Rouland and Bill Lorkin and his family write soon from your brother Willard A. Cutter.