

Washington, D.C.
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Dear Sister

Having time tonight I thought I would answer your letter and let you know o how all the boys are by this time. as for myself I am well as usual, the weather is not very good here at present for it will rain some Charles Cooney come back day before yesterday he gave me the vest and socks mother sent me I was glad she sent the socks for they are so much better than we get here as for the rest it is a very good one and is what I have needed every winter for this is the only one I have had since I left home. Bill Boggs got here last night and some come to day. Phil Roys come when cooney did there was a squad of them come together we are going to live in barracks this winter they are working at them now they raised it yesterday so I think we will be in them before Christmas if nothing happens. I got the paper and your letter yesterday I got one from George and one from six Green on the 16th but have not answered them yet for the simple reason I have nothing to write about I was to fords theatre Thursday night they played the Seven Sisters it was the nicest thing I ever seen the scenery cost \$3,000 they had one gay girl named Lotty that could beet anything dancing and making fun that you ever saw then there was twenty girls in zouave uniform had dreys parade that was very good cooney said he seen your bill and jim to while in Meadville here is a Lincoln badge you can give it to little Geore tell him his uncle Witty send it for a thanks giving gift for him we had the biggest head of cabbage for dinner I ever seen it weighed over 24 lbs. and was about 18 inches acroys the head can you beat that in your new garden this year Jim Gibson was here tonight since I have been writing he is still at camp Stoneman come over tonight to go to the concert I think he will have a good time going back for it is dark and rainy tonight. I am very sorry to hear that Mother has sutch bad health I think she would be much better if she would get rid of that cow and not have to slave or do a slaves work tending to her this winter I must come to a close for it is time to go to roost give my love to Granny and the rest of the folks also to the children and Bill and Jim, and write when you can from your brother, Willard A. Cutter,