

Soldiers Home, Washington, D.C.
September 16, 1863

Dear George

I got your letter at noon I was glad to hear from you I am well at present and hope these few lines will find Grand Mother the same if she needs anything why some of you get it for her and I will foot the bill let it be what it will the news is that Fort Moultry has run up the white flag today it is nice and warm here it driseled a little this forenoon and looks some like rain yet every little while there is a cannon booming away at the navy yard. More glorious news Friday at 10 oclock there is another General Inspection bully for the Inspections for they come most every other day but Sunday and Sunday they come twice a day. Bill's throat must be getting larger for it used to be more than he could do for to swallow a pill we have a big time here pitching horse shoes I havent seen a live squirrel since I left Meadville the only thing we see here is crows and Turkey Buzards last spring the crows flew in flocks a mile long I would li e to be there to go a junting with you after squirrels I could fetch them down out of the tree here is some money for you to buy your powder a shot with there is nothing that I know worth while writing about give my best respects to all the boys all the Pennsylvania boys that are in the hospitals are going home on a 20 day furlough while there they can vote for Governor Curtin there is going to be a nigger show right off so I will come to a close write soon from your brother Willard A. Cutter.