Head Qrs 13th A.V.C
Dec 28th 1864

Dear Pet,

If your letter dont come soon I shall write Gen Denison P.M. Gen a lecture on the subject - giving him to understand that he will incur my wrath if his department is not better conducted in the future. This is a beautiful morning as warm as a spring morning in Ohio. I do not think we will have as good a chance to sleigh ride this winter as we had last - in Kentucky. I have not seen a particle of snow here yet this winter. The winter so far has been quite mild and if the latter part is no worse than what is past we will get a long finely. I wish we were in this this winter & we would have some fine rides. The tent is full of officers now writing is an up hill business if but it only one of the trials I have to contend with in carrying on my correspondence with you. But - then when I write every day as I have for a few days past. I will certainly think of everything of interest. If May gets more letters than you do let me know and I will employ two clerks to write letters for me and I will mail them to you. I keep the Lieuts pretty busy now so that he has not as much time to write as formerly.

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The only reason I have for writing every day that I feel better while writing to you than at any other time, it is the next thing to talking to you. I never was as home sick in my life, as I have been since my return, If I had stayed a few days longer you would have entirely ruined me, for a soldier as it is I do not know as I shall recover entirely if I do not I will have to resign giving as a reason, that I have an affection of the heart which troubles me to such an extent as to unfit me for the service. I think you might cure me if you could have me under your special care for a short time. Don't you think you could.

Write me all the news especially about yourself. I am always anxious to know how you and pussy are

Remember me to your boys and my sons if you could get at them. My sweet little pet.

Give my love to all at home and keep lots for yourself

Your loveing husband

Steve

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