

Washington D. C

Camp Behind the White House

Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> 1862

Dear Brother

I received your letter on the 21 and was glad to hear from you. We have moved again and we were all glad to for if the rain storm had lasted much longer we would have went to the City in a boat it was in some of the tents I took my Blankets and went over to the W. H., and slept that night when we are on Guard every other Day and then we sleep over there every other Night we made a box 3 feet high a laid a floor and fixed the tents on top, there is more room now than there was before for we could not lay

of a foot of the side of the tent  
now we can go through the <sup>el</sup> Mann  
of arms, we only had to move  
about 63 hundred yds we are  
in a nice place we have a  
good view of the Potomac there  
lots of steamers in the middle  
of the stream about 4 miles from  
here and it looks not more than  
two one is a ship with the stars  
and stripes floating from the  
main mast we are a going to  
stay here all winter let what  
will come we are to Guard the Pre  
sident to R against the World  
the new guard has to go up to the  
Reg Every morning at 9 o'clock to  
be inspected all the Braps has to  
glitter and Boots Blacked I  
am on Guard to Day we are on  
every other Day But we do not  
Drill any more or haven't

for two or three weeks we are  
camped in old Abe Behind  
in the yard we have got a stove  
now and I think we wont  
freeze now if the mashine dont  
smoke us out yesterday was a  
nice warm Day I went in my  
shirt sleeves we got our tent  
done and we slept in the tent  
last night we have our  
tent all done but bating it  
I got the money it is most  
Darn cold to Day I will have  
to go on guard at 6 and it is 5 now  
give my love to Grädmother  
if you have a good chance to buy  
wood take five Dollars and  
buy some when there comes  
slaying by your wood

I must come  
to a close so good B  
from F. A. Butler