

Camp Soldier's Home
Oct. 30th 1862

Dear Mother

I received your letter on the 28 and was glad to hear from you that you are all well, but Grandmother, you must not let her suffer for anything as long as you have Money tell her not to worry about me for I will take good care of myself, me and Mc went to a farmer yesterday and bought some straw and we had a good bed last night I am on guard today here in Camp We have to guard the Officers tents it takes 3 men every Day to guard the Camp Bill and George got behind hand with the corn this year again If I had been there they would of had their corn in 2 weeks ago it is a nice warm day but we will have rain before long I think Tell Bill if he has not got them Boards up to the Goose lot for him to get them if he has to carry them Home If the ground would not fetch anything I would have them Boards for I knowed when you put them there they were worth more than the Crop would be we have not drilled for over a week and so we have lots of time to write or play just as we like we heard here the Other day that if this war was not finished in 4 months Old England and France would come over and settle it they had Better stay where they are if they know when they are well off for we can whip the South and come to the pinch of old England and France and the South too we are strongly fortified there is a picket fence allround the Camp When we were going through Baltimore I seen a Fountain that throwed the water 40 feet high Friday Morn I received George's and Elija's yesterday and I will answer them as soon as I can all the Boys are well tell Mc Sister that Mc is well and getting as fat as a pig we drew rations yesterday we drew sugar for 8 days a Big Pint tin full I can't find much to write about so I must come to a close Good By from your son
W. A. Cutter