



UNITED STATES CAPITOL.

150th Reg't Pennsylvania Volunteers., Col. L. Wister.

COMPANY

March 2nd

Camp at the White House 1863.

Dear Mother

I received your letter
to Day and was glad to
hear from you I am well
at present & hope these
few lines will find you
enjoying the same great
Blessing the Weather is warm
here at present but no telling
how long it will remain so
the Dress you speak about was
not for Mrs Lincoln it was
for Aunt Mary Williams ^{a colored lady}

Mrs. D. cook I just come
 from the Navy Yard me to Bill
 Clover was Down to see it we seen
 them making Cannons and shells
 & Bullets, at the Landing was a
 Robble Boat that was captured
 and brought there last night
 the Sailors were riging the
 sails and taring the ropes they
 had a board like a swing Board
 the rope three feet long with on a ^{hook} over the rope
 and they would start from the top
 and set on the Board
 of the Mast a 150 ft from Deck
 and come down taring as he come
 while there they fired a little
 Brap Cannon. out in the river
 at some staked a mill or so off.
 I could see the shell agoing.
 I seen Gen McDowell This ^{evening} morn.
 he was the Best Looking Officer
 I have seen here yet at 8
 o'clock to Night is the last
 reception to come at 8 if
 you would like to see

the President, there is a go^{ing}
to be another Draft from
twenty to 35 five I think
I sent a Patent-Office Report
It was give me while I was
on Guard by one of the men
at the House tell Bill to read
it and he can learn how to
Farm and raise hags that
is all at present so good
By from your Son
William A. Cutter

Dear Brother I received
your letter, I was at the New
York to day & seen a big
ten inch Gun fired with
terrible charge in it at a
Target not a hundred
ft of the shot made a din
as big as your Caps
and pieces of shell flew
in all directions

it was the first time
 it was ever fired I was
 glad when I heard you
 had a Pup. if you cant
 Pay the tax I can, When
 The Regiment went over
 the first Lieutenant Getz
 was down to the River to
 see them start Col Wister
 said to him I want you
 to put a Guard over
 them tents the tents they left
 said Pieu I have got nothing
 to do with your Tents you
 and bill are crowing the
 words with a long That is
 the way to do it so good.

by how is your Pigs ^{before} ^{to} ^{did you get 40}
 Write soon ^{there is 50 in now}

From Bold sojer
 Hans Vanderburn
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