

was industriously engaged in cleaning his  
pants for inspection he stopped me & looking  
up into my face said Henry are you not  
tired of this kind of a life for my part  
I am. he said when I was home I could  
have a clean pair of pants but now I have  
to clean them myself he said it in such a  
mournful tone that I had to laugh at him  
but this is the place to make a person  
think of all the little things that he did  
not mind when he had them at home  
tell Maggie that that housewife is the  
wisest thing in the world for us soldiers  
who are always learning something, but  
she would laugh to see some of my sewing  
I will let you I wrote you a letter the other  
day because it is one of the greatest pleasure that  
I have ever known and not be surprised if you  
hear from me every day for I will as often as I can  
Capt. Linn is in very good health to day except  
a sprain which he received the other day  
when he was getting off his horse it is hardly  
worth speaking of for he will be better in a day  
or so he sends his best respects to all give  
my love to the girls & Maggie don't forget  
George tell him that I wrote to him  
to day remember me to all of my  
friends I am  
Your Brother  
Henry

Henry Anterison  
June 9<sup>th</sup> 1861

Shelton Hill June 9<sup>th</sup> 1861

Dear Brother

Your welcome letter of the 5<sup>th</sup>  
I have just finished reading it & it has done  
me more good than all Doc Brodie's medicines  
I have had a very sore time with my finger  
for two or three days past I have got a fever  
on the first finger of my right hand which  
has troubled me so much that I have been  
put on the sick list although I have not yet been  
sent to the hospital nor will I if it can be  
helped for all of us have an especial dread  
of that place as a general thing the men of  
our Regt are all well this morning I took  
a walk over to the hospital tent & I was  
surprised to find that after the weather  
that we have had for the last week for it has  
rained nearly all the time & that there was  
only thirteen of our boys there yesterday so 83  
was detailed for to guard the bridges along the  
line of road between here & Massachusetts Junction