

Property of Thomas Carpenter Stewart

Civil War Letters from his  
Grandfather Wm Henry Harrison Carpenter  
to his Aunt & Uncle James Fulton Bradfield  
and Martha Carpenter Bradfield and to  
his only little sister Eliza Elizabeth Carpenter

a blanket & pitch one of  
the darkies in or else one  
of our own men and from  
15 to 20 get hold of the  
blanket and toss the  
fellows up in the air  
sometimes I have seen him  
go up in the air as much  
as 35 feet but he comes  
down all right You will  
see on the bottom of the  
programme, a song by a  
7 year old, the chaps is the  
largest man in the regiment  
he's 19 years old, 6 feet  
6 inches high & weighs

240 pounds so much for  
the "Infant" his nickname  
& now Good bye write as  
soon as ever you can to

You affec - Nephew & brother  
Harry

Carlisle Barracks  
A.C. 9/24/92

Dear Uncle & Uncle

Received your  
kind & welcome letter in due time  
& even as this is my first opportunity  
I answer it last night we  
were formed into permanent  
company but  
placed over me, many others who  
were far better fitted for positions  
than some who have them, there  
were a great many dis appointments  
and a great many who were well  
pleased as for me, I am very well  
satisfied with everything, I am  
the whole mess is in Co. C - the  
color company & the post of honor  
in the regiment. I am  
and in a good place after all,  
I may yet get some kind of  
a minor post as there are  
three or four now commissons  
offices open yet in Co. C -  
Med. Spano is a corporal in  
the company & the man whom  
I selected, is Capt of the Co.

His name is Bezin & he formerly belonged to the old troops. at yesterday mornings drill we were drilled one half the time by our Major as we have one now (24 years old) but I think a real military man, all the commissioned officers are very well liked by all the men and according to the times I think we will get along very well. The old band that he had at least a portion of them are going to have a concert at a hall in town for the benefits of the sick & wounded soldiers, I have just got a programme which I send you so that you can see for yourself what it is, I think it will be a very good entertainment

I have no particular news to relate as every thing is very stale, we have a great deal of fun here, although they are getting rather more strict every day - for the last three or four evenings we have had an elephant a giant man, throwing a man up in the blanket & all other sorts of amusements in the elephants 2 men stand or stoop, one behind the other with two blankets thrown over them and a man to lead it while they march all around the camp, the giant man is one man on the others back and a blanket over them so that it looks like one big man - then they get

for the men were ordered not to fire  
and now I suppose the work is  
done for I hear loud cheering in  
town. I suppose a notice of the  
whole affair will be in the Phila  
papers with the notice that caused  
it, if not I will try and get a  
copy so as to show you, it is not  
the first time such a thing has  
appeared, but this time they  
could not stand it. I have like  
many others drawn an extra pair of  
boots that is a pain from the Gov-  
a little larger than the ones I had  
made, so that I could wear two  
pairs of stockings in the winter  
for those I had made were most  
too tight for that purpose, but I  
got them more for the purpose of  
having an other pair after these  
are worn out, as we will not be  
able to get them again from the  
government, so I thought "I had  
better strike while the iron was  
hot" and get them while I could.  
I shall pack up what things I  
can dispense with & send them  
home by express to-morrow  
morning. Good bye now with my  
love to all & everyone, and write  
soon to the same direction only  
put me in for C - instead of C -  
Tell Uncle, he ought not to send  
Dimeas that money - as I do not  
think it right Yours most affectionately  
Harry

Camp Alabama  
Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 1862

Dear Aunt Ulysses & Eliza

I received your  
dear good letters to day and  
now this evening I take  
the opportunity to answer  
it. Riot is rise to night  
to commence with day  
before yesterday, as we as-  
sembled for drill at the  
call in the afternoon, an  
order was read for us  
to commence and pack  
up for Kentucky to start  
in a few days, about  
five o'clock of the same  
afternoon the order  
was countermanded  
Then yesterday afternoon  
about 2 o'clock we were  
ordered to pack up  
Overcoats, Blankets and

Our blankets, with harness  
and canteens, but only those  
who had carbines, were  
allowed to go, but here  
we all are yet and the  
order has not been counter-  
manded, but we are not  
going, we were to go to  
Schuykill County to  
suppress the miners who  
refused the draft, on  
Sunday night or afternoon  
we will start for Kentucky,  
I guess for certain as they  
have been slipping all  
the quartermasters stores  
to Louisville Ky. so that  
we must certainly start  
before long. This evening  
just before inspection  
a paper was pasted on  
the flagstaff cut from  
a Carlisle paper entitled

the "American Volunteer"  
disparaging the adminis-  
tration &c - at which our  
boys grew indignant and  
three loud, long, and  
hearty cheers, were given  
for the Union, Lincoln, and  
the Administration, every  
thing was then kept quiet  
until after supper, when  
between 300 and 400 assem-  
bled and voted to leave the  
office out, they then  
commenced to go into  
town, both with & without  
passes until they got at  
least 150 men in, when I  
suppose, they commenced  
work, at about 7 or 8  
o'clock a patrol of 25  
men from Leo. D. was sent  
in with loaded pieces, but  
it was only done for a show

I must now close as I will  
have to go on guard in a  
few moments give my  
love to all and Ellie you  
must write soon again and  
just such another nice  
long letter, I know both  
Henry Butcher & Potts well  
& Butcher is a Sergeant  
in Co. B. Good bye now  
and direct your next  
letter as before

Your ever most  
affectionate brother & nephew  
Henry

Camp Buell  
Mo. 6<sup>th</sup> 1862

Dear Aunt Uncle & Ellie

I could not  
answer your dear kind letters  
sooner on account of numerous  
duties & drill, and to day I am  
on guard, having a very good  
post, one on which I am re-  
lieved at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  at night and  
do not have to go on again  
until 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  next morning so  
that I can have a good  
nightly rest. We are ordered  
to Kentucky to join Gen.  
Rosecrans, and act as his  
body guard, we have to  
break camp to morrow  
morning at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  and march  
in the afternoon at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  -  
all the Dr. masters stores  
have been sent and two  
of us got our goods in

so that we are all right  
in that line, I having  
taken every precaution  
to see that the went over  
would go all right there  
is no news about camp  
to tell you, but last  
night I saw one of the  
most beautiful sights  
that any one ever laid  
eyes on the Mountains  
that I had to cross  
were all on fire for a  
distance of more than  
15 or 20 miles or at least  
it looked full that  
distance, we could see  
the fire burning all day  
all but the blazer, for the  
smoke curled up and  
swept over the mts.  
in great clouds, by  
about 2 o'clock that

morning it commenced  
to rain and put it  
nearly all out, but they  
made a circle of it so  
that it would not burn  
so much property, to  
day is an awful nasty  
rain and drizzling day  
with an awful wind  
blowing, you can see  
where the fire was and  
all the burnt timber.  
Mr Schomacker is up  
here to day and was  
in to see us all, he brought  
Mrs Schomackers regards  
and said she did not  
come up because she  
could not stand it  
I have having a very  
gay time going away, and  
all the boys are in high  
spirits over it

Camp near Unionville Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> 1862

Dear Aunt & Uncle

I cannot write in ink as I have none, and in fact have very little time to write, I wrote you a letter from the old Camp the day before we left and received one that had the same date (as the one I wrote) at the Refreshment Saloon in Pittsburgh on Friday afternoon last we left the old Camp Ground after striking tents just after dinner it commenced to snow early in the morning and snowed all Friday and Saturday morning we got to Carlisle about 5 o'clock and had to stay there until 7. as 7½ we started and such a hurrahing and yelling, and good by's bidden again any thing I ever saw, Willie, McPhail's Uncle Waller Schomacker were up and went with us as far as Harrisburg and by this time I expect you have seen Mr or Mrs Schomacker and

have heard all about that much of  
it, we got to Pittsburgh <sup>about</sup>~~about~~ <sup>midnight</sup> about 7<sup>th</sup> o'clock and were marched  
around to the City Hall which had  
been turned into a Refreshment Saloon  
where we received a fresh date supper and  
new Major Ward in full uniform, for  
I believe he is reinstated we started the  
same night about 12 o'clock for  
Indianapolis as we came that route  
and found ourselves about 6 o'clock  
in the morning not more than 10 or  
12 miles from Pittsburgh, one of the cars  
having got off the track we then went on  
and arrived at Indianapolis about 10 o'clock  
that night, for we made very fast time  
as the road was unoccupied we layed  
at Indian - until about 6 the next  
morning when we got steams up and  
made fast time to Jeffersonville at which  
place we arrived about 2 in the afternoon  
the regiment then got transportation  
to Louisville and started about 4 1/2 in

Dear little Sister

I would like to write you a long letter to yourself but time & space will not permit as I and every thing are in the dirt and I had to get off from Strick this afternoon to write this. I had a splendid 3 days journey and in my next will describe the ride over the Mountains through the tunnels &c - which I cannot do now. I send you three different kinds of water weed which grows in abundance in the bottom of the creek near the old camp by the barracks, also, some leaves I gathered on the top of the Alleghany while the cars stopped and a nice little soap which I happened to spy in an old piece of bacon. I wish you would send me some stamps in your next as my stock has entirely run out, now they good bye with my "Love" to all and every one and Annie Long, too, from your ever affectionate Brother Harry. Direct your letter to Louisville Ky. instead of Carlisle Pa.

the afternoon and in about half an hour afterwards arrived at the famous city of Louisville. I was detailed with three others of our mess to stay in Jeffersonville on fatigue duty to help unload the cars &c and did not get home until Tuesday evening when I found that we had lost a great many having been burned on the rough the sparks from the locomotive setting them in fire and have none yet and see no likelihood of getting one back I manage to get along. Our camp is about a mile from the heart of the city & the provost Marshal is very strict so that we do not get in town as much as we used to, I wish I had sent for those blue pants of mine also those light boots & blouse, for I am now sorry I did not keep the blouse & these pants and worth sitting on as they all drop apart for I have sewed mine up in no less than 7 places. I have no money and if you could send me one or two dollars in small Gov. Notes I could get along very well - I must now close & write a little bit to dear sister Nellie Your affectionate nephew Henry

Camp near Louisville

Dec - 1862

Dear Aunt & Uncle G

I received your kind letter yesterday afternoon and take this my first & perhaps my last opportunity for a week or two of and evening we expect to start for Nashville sometime this week.

We had a grand regimental parade through Louisville the other day and I tell you it was splendid - to-morrow we are to be reviewed by Brig. Gen. Doyle stationed here, and I expect we will have a grand time.

Our Company now have very good horses in general, but none of them are anything extra - Snyder of our mess has been very sick for the last week or so and Mr. Mairis & I have been staying with him at Mac's Aunts, they are very nice people indeed

such sleek, as one would naturally suppose, having two sons in the Southern army, however it seems to make no difference who it is for they treat a Union or Federal as they call them) soldier just as kindly as they do the Confeds - I have seen many people at evenings there and I warrant you I will not forget Louisville soon. It is a splendid city and a great many fine houses and business palaces (as they call them in New York) are in it. There are a great many regiments encamped around here now and the streets of the town are constantly filled with teams of the reg's bringing in Hay, provisions and such things. I have a pretty decent horse but not as good a one as I like, however I must be satisfied.

Yours affec. Nephew Harry

Bro. John will board  
send back to you by return  
that it may not be lost  
and also a little note from  
Birdie but who does not  
gave it I cannot tell you  
however I will try to find out  
and will then tell you. The  
mucius hump has been at  
service already as he has  
used of two pins on it  
keeping it all on. Dear  
Auntie I will try to follow  
your good advice and I  
am sure you will be right.  
I regret having given up the  
little called money as I  
had dear Uncle Peter  
with us. He will need

To Nephew & brother  
will write again as soon as  
I can to my good assent

Kirkwood House  
17th Avenue Washington

Dear Auntie and Uncle Collier

Here I am safely arrived at  
Wash. as you see from my last  
we have not had breakfast  
as it is only a little after 6  
o'clock, I expect we will start  
to-morrow from here toward the  
Government transversal fort  
ofress. I had a very pleasant  
time and every thing began to  
go well they having eating in  
saloon on the car and we  
got some thing to eat just  
about the time we got to  
Chester. All along the road  
after the morning began  
to dawn we could see  
soldiers guarding the rail.

way and every thing down  
here looks warlike. We are  
both very well. I noticed  
the large bridges at gunpowder and gave me all the partic-  
ulars creek they are over the pillars. I just had a peep  
two sections, about a mile and a quarter each.  
When we got to Baltimore  
Henry showed me all the places about as he  
lived two years there he one horse Maybank town  
is now living on the bed by my side taking a short nap which I was not to open  
as he got but very little sleep last night we could not get in the sleeping car  
and I was not very well satisfied. He  
showed me the famous Rotten Pore as it is called  
in Baltimore and where the Massachusetts boys were  
attacked on the 19th of April  
at the Capital as I came up it is a magnificent  
place, but Washington according to my ideas is  
nothing but a little  
one horse Maybank town  
The mysterious little package  
until I got in the cars turns out to be a very  
pretty little book called  
The Chaplet of Flowers meaning  
flowers or verses from the Bible it is a very pretty little  
thing it contained the enclosed

all last night in that drenching  
rain, to day some of the regulars  
belonging to the barracks brought  
in 9 rebel prisoners which  
they had captured just below  
Chambersburg as they say  
here that Col. McClure has  
surrendered Chambersburg to  
them as they are all about  
there, I am now at all  
worried about them as I  
think they are not any too  
near for the rest of our  
regiment is still lying here  
cleaning up their arms &  
getting ready to go. Several  
young men have got the  
petitions for commissions  
in this regiment and have  
had the very best recom-  
mendations, but all to no  
purpose as the Governor has  
given us all to distinctly  
understand that no men  
will be granted commissions

Camp Alabama  
Carlisle Barracks  
Dear Auntie Middle  
Salm day

I have just  
received your letter & you may  
be sure that I was quite as much  
surprised at the enclosed letter  
as you were yourselves from  
the simple fact that I never  
borrowed any money from the  
person applying for it, the  
matter being in this way, that  
you know I spent \$10.00 on my  
trip to Harrisburg, Leanding and  
after I had received my non-  
commissioned appointment  
he borrowed the other \$10. which  
I had with me, because, as he  
said he had no money with him.  
I never asked him for the money  
until the day before I left, & you  
also know that he promised  
me \$13 a month for the time

I should stay with him, well he never kept his word and from what I saw & heard of him in the regiment, I knew I would never be able to get any thing from him for the service I had performed for him, by the mere asking, & as I was not fool enough to loose the money, I thought that the only way to get it was to ask him to lend me \$13 as a substitute for asking him to give it to me, I then asked him for \$10 & then with a great deal of squeezing I got it out of him so that by justice I think he owes me \$3 instead of me owing the \$10 to him, I think I was right in getting it from him as I did from the fact that I know I would never have got it any other way & I know positively

that he owes to different persons over \$200 and I do positive that he owes to men in his company, the money that he paid me with, and now to finish the subject I think I had better not answer his letter at all as he is only a swindled of a low class and if he writes again let it also lay, for I do not think it is necessary to answer a man of that character, I shall await your answer though to dear Uncle & do as you think best  
Last night about 8 o'clock a despatch came to have the Anderson Cavalry ready with arms and ammunition to move at a moments notice two companies have gone and one was on

for this regiment except  
members of the old took  
therefore I suppose there  
is no other method than  
by getting promotion from  
good conduct which I  
think I can do if any one  
can. Give my regards to all  
and every one & Ellie. I want  
you to write if you can get  
time as I am as busy with  
drill & keeping things in order  
as any can be, so man good  
bye with love to all my little  
friends & write soon to

Your affec Nephew & brother

Henry

I will leave that letter  
unanswered until I hear  
from you - The streets in  
camp are mud over boot  
tops - Henry -

in it was so hard trouble  
to stoop. Having had this  
news & wish to be relieved  
told to you all I M<sup>o</sup> said  
I carry Schooners & boats  
express a regret at not  
having a call on you  
Please excuse this letter  
I will tell you about  
the day we started  
up to the river. We  
spent most of the day  
at camp & will be organized  
I had no shot & a  
Rif. either. I got a  
gun from a man who  
just came me a good  
long letter if you can &  
give my regards to Annie &  
& all others of my friends.

Yours affec - Aspinwall  
Dinner was before

Camp Alabama  
Carlisle & Rock  
Friday Morning Early  
Dear Ann & Uncle & Celia

I have safely  
arrived and am now enjoying  
all the luxuries of Camp life, the  
scene is a beautiful one, all  
down the street on which we  
live we see the handsome  
foot prints of handsome  
cavalry boots and in the  
distance we see the nice little  
cook houses with the sooty  
black cooks punching the  
meat in the pots with big  
dirty sticks. last night it  
rained & night before also -  
it was about 3 o'clock  
when we got to Harrisburg  
& we had to pay 25¢ a piece  
for a room, where we had  
a good rest until 7 o'clock  
when we got up & off, we  
had a grand time with the

conductor on the Cumb~~land~~  
valley road as there were several  
who were opposed to paying  
their fare, & had me mob  
he would have switched  
the car off the track & it  
would then have ended in  
a grand roar, so we all come  
down and paid him the  
fare I am very well & so is  
Harry we are getting along  
in tip-top fashion as  
everything has been kept  
very nicely & I have no fault  
to find, I cannot draw a  
Carbine yet as there are none  
to get, the boys are now out  
drilling with them & as soon  
as I get through I must go out  
& rated them so that by the  
time I get mine I will be  
able to use it & know the  
drills I went into town

yesterday & got my baggage  
all my Carlisle friends are  
well, they are much more  
strick up here than before  
but I cant see its as I  
always can enjoy myself  
as much as on Tuesday  
I have not yet reported as  
I found there was no necessity  
of so doing & neither did  
Harry those who remained  
over their furloughs (some  
say) received an extra duty  
duty on guard for every day  
over their furlough that  
they remained away & other  
say, 42 hours whether or  
no, Government fare  
goes just as good as ever  
& I must have got fat  
(or stout if you please)  
for I can hardly wash  
my face at the creek

Dear Auntie

*Yesterday*  
afternoon I received your  
letter with the amount  
enclosed, for which I am  
very thankful. I could  
have sat down and  
written immediately  
but I had no time  
then as I had to go out  
drill & it takes all  
our time after drill  
to clean our arms and  
get ready for dress  
parade, and now  
early this morning, I  
have only ten minutes  
to write this before  
drill & will have to  
wait until after  
drill to-morrow  
when I will write you

a good long one give  
my love to all and  
tell Ellie to write  
the next time if she  
can and I will ~~will~~  
write each of you a  
letter including

Uncle Alfred, I hope  
he will get over his  
spash and come back  
again, Good bye now for  
I just saw the bugler  
go down the street & by  
the time this is posted  
he will sound it

Your affec - Nephew  
Keamy

at the Camp yet  
Thursday Morning  
7 O'clock

Dear Auntie & Ellie

I have but a few minutes  
to write as the last hundred are off  
this morning at 9 o'clock to go—  
we don't know where but I will  
write when we arrive at the  
place of destination so that you  
may know where we are and  
how I am, I send you a box  
with my pants & coat in it.  
Harry Arnolds Shirt. I am  
very sorry indeed Uncle was foolish  
enough to enlist as I thought  
by my going he would stay at  
home, but as you say Dear Auntie  
we must hope it is for the best &  
he makes one more to fight  
for the glorious Union, & now  
Good bye to you both kiss me now  
for once more & then I am off  
Give my love to all & every one who  
inquires— Nephew & Brother Harry

when you write direct as  
before

enclosed find receipt for the  
box of which I did not pay the  
freight as I had no money to share  
Harry

as above

Camp Agalama  
Thursday 10 a.m.

Dear Aunt Uncle & Ellie,

I returned to camp yesterday after writing your letter immediately after visiting one of our sick men, in that I told you about the detail of men sent out to scour when I got back to camp I had to fix every thing up as I believe we have every one in the camp running there for something or other I has yesterday appointed sergeant of the guard for to day but last night about 9 O'clock every man in camp was orderd to prepare to march and afterwards a detail of four men with the old guard were orderd to remain to guard the camp, of which I am one, & I have been up nearly all night helping the boys to fin up to go Harry Arnold <sup>Fifteen</sup> has gone, but the rest of our mess is still at the

camp I had no time to supper last night and am now eating breakfast of cake, brlgna, sausages & crackers while I write. I have had, I couldn't tell you how many special orders I have had to keep this & that thing for me Carpenter & I'll do something for you some time, and now everything in camp is in a terrible fix for everything was in disorder, as soon as I got to camp yesterday I drew everything else I wanted by my packers & they had none that would fit me & so I waited my uniform did not come, at all or if it did some of the first detail seized on it. I am now ready to do the work. I have packed up my coat, pants, 1 pr of drawers (I now have the others on & they fit splendidly) my pocket book (with the flowers in, I gathered on the top of the Mt. Mountain, for Ellie) a whistle my smoking cap, which I do not wish to loose for if I want

one I will get one of my lady friends  
in Carlisle to make one for me.  
As Harry Arnold has gone, he wished  
me to write to his father, but I  
have not the time, I packed his  
shirt & collar in the box, so if  
Uncle can get an opportunity I  
would like him to take either  
to Mr W. A. Arnold's store  
no. 1010 Chestnut St or to  
his house & tell him Harry has  
gone but that they are all  
expected back by tomorrow  
night the shirt was a little  
damp but I could not help  
it. I will not pay the freight  
on the box if I can send it  
without. I sent also a box of  
cartridges that had been thrown  
away so that you might all  
see what they are like we will  
not get our carbines until  
we get our horses, and we  
cannot tell when we will get

them, now give my love to all and  
everybody, and remembrances  
likewise write soon & direct as  
before Your loving Nephew & Brother

No date

Wm. H. Bailey

Dear Little Schuster

I have headed the letter to Little Auntie and will continue her letter into yours, May be my other letters did not reach on account of some of them being directed in lead pencil I am very glad you received my letter and sent me on those stamps as I needed them very much. Last night we had a terrible thunder shower and a very severe clap that I am sure struck somewhere in the vicinity of our camp it sounded just like two guns fired in succession and then the long roll echoing through the forest and then the quick vivid flash of lightning all seemed to show that every thing was for the best I have a good tent now and every thing nice with the exception of my not having had a ditch dug around my tent so as to keep the water out and the consequence was that my tent was 3 or 4 inches deep in water, I was lucky enough to have my bed made high by poles put up in croutches and barrel staves nailed across with my gam blanket laid on it and my other blanket over that and my foot and carpet bag for a pillow and I can sleep just as sound as though I was on a feather bed with blankets & a

nice pillow to lay my head on during the  
week in the evenings when Capt gets the  
men together and we have songs and reci-  
tations which keep up the spirits of the  
men and make them feel more comfor-  
table. The band attached to the regiment  
is going home soon and the paymaster  
came up yesterday so that our regiment  
will be paid off to morrow or next day  
for which event the boys seem to be very  
happy, hoping to lay in a large stock of  
good things by the time the next pay day  
comes around. It is a very pleasant sight  
to see the men at night after the roll  
call when they all gather round in groups  
to sing and talk of home and the loved  
ones there thinking and talking of what  
fine times they would have if they were  
only home. I am glad you forwarded the  
letter to Bill Cobb. Give my best regards to  
Mr. Mrs. Lou Henry, Pauline & Amelia Wiens  
Mr. Mrs and all the little Fryers also to  
Mr. Mrs. Minnie Clara George & the rest of Kuons  
Aunt Mary Uncle John and all the rest of  
my Uncles and Aunts write to Grandmother  
soon give my regards to Martha Burns &  
tell her that I looked for Henry and found  
his position was full a mile and half  
from where I was if I had had a walk of  
about 4 miles & I thought I would go again  
in two or three days when I would see him  
I saw Jim Brown the other day he is very well  
but has been sick.  
*(now write soon to your dear Brother Harry)*

of this week I am now  
writing you to get a letter  
from a friend to him & I  
forgot to send you a letter  
as I have no news for me

I will write to him & tell  
you all about him & the  
things he has done.

Eliza is your only friend  
so he doubtless writes to her for  
you don't know that. I  
may never see him again  
so good bye with much love  
to you both. I am still your affec  
brother Wm E. Reuben Cady

Camp Alabama  
Carrying Passbooks  
Sept. 2d  
Dear Aunt & Uncle Hale

I recived your  
first letter stating had you rec'd  
send the box on Friday night, on  
Friday afternoon, but did not  
receive the box until Saturday morning  
and when it came I was over with  
a friend fasting with him on a  
large friend cake of flour and all  
other sorts of good things, it was  
just commencing to rain but I  
got it in, it came up to camp  
for which I had to pay 10 C.  
Everything in it was so delicious  
the following we roasted the mutton  
for breakfast 10c up of jelly we  
eat yesterday for supper and also  
some of the cheese it was a splendid  
thing for us I tell you & I am  
sure you have the thanks and  
good will of the whole mess  
for it we have of course cakes for

breakfast and as a general thing  
live very nicely, especially as  
long as the money holds out.  
I am now writing on one of the  
sheets of paper and with one  
of the little red pencils of the  
writing case which is a very  
handy article. A great many  
of the uniforms were sent up  
yesterday, but I do not know  
whether those came that were  
measured. As for the bounty  
there is no knowing any thing  
about, for there are a thousand  
different reports circulated  
concerning it and we can't  
tell whether we will ever  
get it or not, although I  
believe we are making out  
new muster rolls for that purpose  
and Capt. Palmer is  
on Washington on some  
business concerning it.

Leave you soon as we get it.  
I shall send you the greater  
part of it for my trip over to  
Grandmother's took all I  
had left back 75¢ as it cost  
us \$3<sup>27</sup> all together \$1 for the horses  
and \$1 for our selves and \$1 for  
my 9 mile ride going over  
Besides 25¢ for something to  
eat at Sandieburg & for the  
horses dinner, so that I have  
not a cent now. Uncle if you  
had intended going up to  
come up around to me to take  
and I will write to Sandieburg  
he will come & bring you over.  
Your Uncle Abmor Alfred  
can come & live here in camp  
until Sandieburg comes, for  
he will come anyway to  
see me before the 9 o'clock  
which there is great dark