

This is my last sheet of paper but one. & I want to write
to mother on that. I may get my letter tomorrow or make
not at all.)

[To. Mrs. Sallie Newton. Winston-Salem, N.C.]

Camp near Dupelo. June 13th 1862

Dear Sallie

I received yours of the 8th by Fly - I
yesterday. I did not see Fly. I received the box - & it is
quite a treat we had a nice diet of beans & beats
for dinner to day. but we have not cooking utensils enough. George
cooked the beans in a large coffee-pot & the beat in an iron
We are destitute of nearly every thing now all of cooking
& wearing things were sent to Oa Kalona - below & they have
never been sent up, I had just the day before I received
your letter written to you about the death of Owen but
I was not certain. It is quite sad affair for mother. I do not
know how she will get along. I was fearful that Owen would
not live when he left & I did my best to get him an
ounce. but he seemed to be satisfied with getting to Oxford
and he thought then he could go on and I was in great
hopes that he might. I should like very much to go home but
there is no chance. Old Bragg is quite as despotic in his rule
as a horse. I am waiting for Jim Baps to come up as they
expect him every day. I have no doubt but he will be rejected
& he will have a chance to go back home & I am glad
of the chance of getting him home. The examination for

P.S. Congress has passed a law, called the
Conscription law, which - that all men liable
for Military Duty - between the ages of 18.
& 33. years are considered mustered into
service for 3. years on the war, & those of
that age that are in the 12. month volunteers
for 2. years on the war, This law will make
some of your neighbors, & bring some damn
heavy against the Government, but I expect it
is a very wise & good law.

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