

JOHN BOWEN,
South Mass. Regt.

July the 18th 1863 dear cousin
it with the Greats of
Cousin I do take my pen
in hand to inform
that I am well at
Present and I hope
rather these services
Come to hand may
be. You the same
we had a hard rain here
last night and this
morning were not
going as we expected
we were to go too
well as go but as a
Great lid turban
in Boston and were
a going to stay tel
by the resisting dust
there a white regiment
here and they were in
once or twice they

July 17 and they
have killed 18 or twenty
of them the are all irish
and have cal as execution
and al so in new York
Give Joshua and all
the others a let me tel
You is all ~~not~~ going to
send some money home
in a few days and what
so ever i write to do with
i wish you wil care
do not red the tabley
do it it tel it wil
be in next week by
it press at ~~the~~
win bin ned to the
soldiers all irish
lutenant to day at
twelve o'clock knock
him down they put him
hard woad take good
care the old woman no
more at John Joe Joseph

rest until i tel you
the time i started
how you might suppose
that i al ted quite
the same time

and so do i but to give me
but i was to very heavy so
never told you when i had
more words at present answer
as soon as can you say to
to set the ob. Embury

Thomas Embury
Graceville Krone county
Australia



July 1864

55th Regt. Mass. Infantry.

BOJDIEN'S LETTER,
John P. Bojden
Camp

July the 11, 1863

Dear cousin:

It is with the greatest of pleasure I do take my pen in hand to inform that I am well at present and I hope when these few lines come to hand may find you the same.

We had a hard rain here last night and this morning we are not going as was reported. We were to go two weeks ago but because of a great disturbance in Boston and we are a-going to stay till by the resisting draft there, a white regiment here and they went in once or twice they July 17 and they was killed 18 or 20 of them. They are all Irish and have () execution and all so in New York.

Give Jo Sheen one of the coppers. Let me tell you I am a-going to send some money home in a few days and what Soder (?) I write to do with I wish you will carefully do and respectably do. I expect it will be in next week by express at Vincennes of the Soldiers an Irish lieutenant today at twelve o'clock knocked him down, they put him guard house. The ol woman, no more at
John J. Joseph

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rest until I tell you the time I started from. You might suppose that I acted quite presumtious and so do I but forgive me for I was very heavy so heavy () passed home. No more at present answer as soon as can.

John Posey to Joseph W. Embry