

I shall make application to come home but it is very uncertain where I will get permission

of
Dunelo. I am 20th, 1862.

Dear Lallie

Just see by this paper that I have rec^d
a supply ~~my~~ I sustained no loss at all in the evacuation of
Carinth ~~only~~ my gold pen which I miss very much
I rec^d yours written on Monday & Tuesday last yesterday
by the hands of Mr Burdett, & I also rec^d two very
nice shirts which fills the bill exactly. They were
so nice that my friend Capt Bumble put one of
them on & wore it of but he promises me that
he will let me have one when his comes up.

We are all quiet at this time no enemy near
that I am aware of but I understand they are making
head way down towards Grenada that they had Holly spring
I expect the Fe^os will be surprised some of these days
the health of our army is improving while that of the
enemies is increasing, our Reg has increased one hundred
& fifty men in the last ten days & we hear of others
coming the same may be said of others, I have no
news to write there ^{are} army movements but I do not think
it advisable to write it now. We are requested not to
write about any movements of the army. I think that we
talk too much any way.

I mean you are all getting somewhat alarmed
for fear the Yankees will come out to Hazelhurst
It does seem that they will over run the country
if they get Vickburg which I suppose they will they
may get out to your section. The tide will soon
turn I am in hopes & we will have more favorable news
the next fight we will be equal to them they will
have no gun boats to rely on.

"What is said" about burning the Cotton; down your way
I saw about 30 bales burned the other day & it was
all burned between here & Carinth. Tell the Or do not
be in to great hurry to burn ours let the government
authorities burn it, because there are plenty that will not
voluntarily burn theirs. If Mr Parker is through plowing
he had better send some of the mules over to Mother's
& let them be put in the pasture, you wrote about
Owen - will did he leave one; & where is it & what is
the nature of it. Write me if Mother has received any
word from O & faro. I would prefer every thing pertaining
to his business would remain until fall I do not
know of any injury that could arise from waiting
My health is as good as usual. George is well & got his knapsack
I have not seen High yet he is gone West, send me my shoes
by the first chance. You afft. W.
Spe.