

Near Petersburg Monday Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1864

Dear Sister

I received  
your kind letter this morning and  
was very glad to hear from you  
I am very well at present. there  
is nothing of any importance  
going on here at present  
every thing is quiet with the exception  
of the picket firing and occasionally  
a little shelling which is not carried  
to so great an extent as it formerly  
was the picket firing has nearly  
played out and the shelling is  
done mostly nights. we had a great  
time of it here when we heard of  
the nomination of little Mac the  
soldiers as a majority all go for  
him old Abe is completely cast in the

shade old Abe's name is seldom mentioned in politics unless it is to curse the hypocrite there is considerable excitement about the fall of Atlanta and fort Morgan I have not heard the details in regard to the fall of Atlanta I do not know whether it was evacuated or whether Genl Sherman captured it but I suppose that we will find out by to night's paper. Capt Lyon has resigned and I think ere this reaches you he will be home he told me that he was a going to make you a call so look out for him if he has not made it all ready I should like to be in his place very muchly. but in one short year then I will be there without wishing but I would like to see that time coming around, as I am tired of living in this stile any

longer. I suppose that you have  
seen Dick Horton before this as he  
has been home several days now.

I see that little Lon Bently has enlisted  
he came to the Regt - the day before yesterday  
it seems to me that all that they have up  
north now as that is all that they seem  
to send down here to us when  
young Bently came there was about  
a dozen more of the same size  
came along with him which gives  
us a drum corps of about 28 in  
number which is larger than any  
Company in the Regt at present.  
you say that there is considerable  
shaking up there on account of the  
draft if I could have my wish there  
would not be an able bodied man  
left in Sand Lake as they have shown  
rather a cowardly spirit all the way  
through. I am glad that there is  
no three hundred dollar clause for them

for them to crawl out of this time  
they either have got to pay a pretty good  
sum or else come out thier selves.

I suppose that they are doing a considerable  
business in Sand Lake now that  
is more than they used to as they  
have more factories running.

I suppose that there is no trouble  
now on account of rain up  
there. we have plenty of it down  
here. I will have to stop writing  
now as I can not think of any  
more to write this time  
so good bye for this time from  
your aff brother

Alfred Carmon

I hope that the next time that I  
write to you that I will be able to  
send you some money as there is  
strong talk of our getting paid off  
in a few days and I hope that we  
will as it has been a long time  
since we have had any money from  
uncle Sam

Miss Cottie Parmor

Grand Lake

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