

2nd Moth 1864

In camp south of Atlanta

Honored Parents Brothers & Sister

I am allowed the privilege
of once more writing you a few
lines to inform you of my welfare

I am enjoying pretty good
health at present. The health
of the company is good. Russ
and ~~James~~ came up day before yesterday
day. Their health is good. I received
a letter last night from
you I was happy to hear that
you were blessed with good health.

Father stated that Mr. Ward had
been sent after Cas Sumner
... little good could be done towards
getting Cas home, without the
authorities saw fit to give him a
furlow, a citizen that was not
acquainted with some of them

could do nothing, I learn
that ~~Gras~~ is getting a furlow
and is likely on his way home
now, The boys that come up say
Gras's health is getting better I
hope he will entirely recover if
he gets home. we have got establis
hed in camp atlast and hope to
get to remain quiet for a while.
we have a nice camp in a thick
piece of timber and are getting
pretty comfortable quarters fixed
up. There is an armisties going
on now between The two Armies
here it is to let The citizens
pass out of Atlanta as Sherman
dont propose to feed them here
he gives them choise to go north
or south, The understanding is
that there is to be an exchange
of prisoners also during The Armis
ties, we hope to get our boys back
again. The paymaster has not.

made his appearance yet I
suppose he will be around in
the course of a week or so. The
pay rolls are being made out. we
have but little news as to the
draft. but the talk is that it
has been put off ~~at~~ back to me
a very unwise thing to defer the
draft but I think there is some
good reason that I know nothing
of if it is so, my policy would
be to push the draft through
and take some of the miserable
disloyal copperheads to the army
and put them in some of the
old regiments and I think they
would be induced to change
their views, I had it in my head
that likely the draft was put
off till some of the soldiers
get home that will be paroled
from this army in a short
time I think it would have

a tendency to make the draft go
off quietly for the cowardly
sneaks that oppose the administra-
tion would be glad to keep quiet
if they thought they would be atten-
ded to if they raised a fuss.

The Chaplain spoke last night
on swearing and obscene language
he offered some very good remarks.

I will close for this time
hoping to hear from you
soon.

Love your wellwishing son
John Miller

9th mo 14th/64 (September 14, 1864)

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I am allowed the privilage of once more writing you a few lines to inform you of my welfare I am enjoying pretty good health at present the health of the company is good, Rusie and Snipes came up day before yesterday there health is good. I received a letter last night from you I was happy to hear that you were blessed with good health. Father stated that Wm. Word had been sent after Cas Sumner...little good could he do towards getting Cas home, without the athorities saw fit to give him a furlow, a citazen that was not acquainted with some of them could do nothing, I learn that Cas is getting a furlow and is likely on his way home now, the boys that come up say Cas health is getting better I hope he will entirely recover if he gets home. Wee have got established in camp at last and hope to get to remain quiet for a while. Wee have a nice camp in a thick piece of timber and are getting pretty comfortable quarters fixed up. There is an armstes going on now between the two armies here it is to let the citazens pass out of Atlanta as Sherman don't propose to feed them here he gives them chois to go north or south, the understanding is that there is to be an exchange of prisoners also during the armistis, wee hope to get our boys back again. The paymaster has not made his appearance yeti suppose he will be around in the course of a week or so the payrolls are being made out. Wee have but little news as to the draft but the talk is that it has been put off it loocks to me a very unwise thing to defer the draft but I think there is some good reason that I know nothing of if it is so, my polisy would be to push the draft through and take some of the miserable disloyal coperheads to the army and put them in some of the old regiments and I think they would be indused to change their views. I had it in my head that likely the draft was put of till some of the soldiers got home that will be furlowed from this army in a short time I think it would have a tendensy to make the draft go off quietly for the cowardly sneaks that oppose the administration would be glad to keep quiet if they thought they would be attended to if they raised a fuss.

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I am your wellwishing son
John Mills