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Out-posts 18th Army Corps. Bachelors Creek N.C.

May 13th 1863

Dear Brother Wills,

Tours of the 26th isn't, came duly to-hand last night. I am sorry to hear of the continued ill-health Of your wife, it seems singular to think of the spinning not being fairly set in at home, for it is most inferno hot here day and night.

The regiment has had some hard marches and considerable bushwhacking since I wrote last, but I will omit the portion lars. For Hested has started home and he promised me to go and see you.

Captain Rudger's case is now being tried, and so far he appears to have the inside track of the Colonel, Captain Ripka's resignation is accepted and he started for Phila. yesterday.

Captain Brown tried to resign as soon as he gon back, he played the "Chrome Diarrhea" dodge and got a certificate of disability but somehow the

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Department "couldn't see it", and he is ordered to report to a board of medical superiors, he will have a hard time getting through for the kernel is opposed to him hearing, but maybe he will make it through.

Dan Spine, and Dave Suding, are both under arrest for drunkenship while on duty Dan was drunk while officers of the guards, and fell off of his horse on the Neuse-road, and the Col found him lying in a durele, the turn off in the only against him and I both think and hope that we will be able to working through without being broke, Suding's case is damned tough, this is the second charge against him for the same offence within one month, he was let off of the first one am afraid he will goup the ranks this time.

Monahan word have answered your letter before this but he has been very which under the weather that is his excuse. Captain Metcalf is back, he is behaving first rate, now that Ripka is gone he is Captn. he publicly informed the Colonel that major Martin must have the Regt. Within a

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month or he would lay charges against the said Martin for sueppiciency, and neglect of duty, you see everyone is giving damned sharp nowadays and I am keeping a bright lookout that so you don't get the weather side of Pax.

We have just received the news of the hammering our corp got on the Rappahannock last week, no use of talking. Liet see is too sharp for anything we have to match against him. I look like opening a wade in this neighborhood shortly, the rebo have a strong force mastad cone Creek, and I believe Foster apprehend in attack on Newbern, he has stopped officers furloughs anyhow on the strength of yeah see that I don't know when I will get north, the Colonel has promise to let me go as soon as he can and if I get off I will let you know you can let on yeah, i haven't heard Charlie since you left. I must close with many good which is for your welfare sincerely yours,

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all hands are well as usual, we are doing our best to get Wh; irty is Commission "C", everybody deserves to be remember to you.

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Henderson's direction is 1138 Piaea Street, damn near the old circle auir in.

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jam as had a woman about writing postcripts but every time I think I am done I suddenly remember something else. I guess I am through now, so far the last time good bye Paxon.