

Philadelphia. 16 & 7th Street

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Dear Sister,

I recd your letter to day & was glad to hear from you for that is the second letter I have recd. from you. & I have recd two from Mattie. since I left home & that is all. I am sorry to hear that Ma is sick. But I hope the next letter I get to hear she is better. I am as well as usual. But I can't say I am well for I begin to feel the effects of the long marches & hard ships I went through last summer & can't stand any thing to what I could bear & endure. But I guess I will not grow that

after a while. I cant tell
when I shall go to N.Y.
I am making patient for them
to send me. I think I shall
go to Elmira if there is a
Hospital there the Doctor
told me he thought there
was one there. I havnt got
my money yet my Discript
in list isnt here I send
the pay roll for two months
pay But the pay master
wouldnt pay any with
out they had a list &
mine by some mistake has
nt been sent here. (no
money has paid out)
You need not send me
any until I find out
whether I am a going
to stay in our place
long enough to how it
get str. on. I may go

away from here before night
I may stay here a month
that is the Danger of it you see
A Soldier dont know any
moments future he will be
the next as whether he
will be as next. I dont
heard from Peter as any
of the Regt or another
Brigade whatever they are
all killed except the Pa.
papers dont tell much
about the N.Y. troops
they have enough to do to
keep track of them over
I think Hooker has done
a good job. A Stoneman
has done a long thing I
have a good deal of confiden-
ce in Hooker I think he
is about as good a gen as
we have got & the Soldiers
generally know more as

confidence in his as they
have in our good letter
I never have yet any letter
from Ma that had a paper
in I got a paper with some
things in it that is all I have
only recd two letters from Ma
& am near a great while
ago when I first come here
in February & the other was
written the 13 of April

What kind of a paper was it?
I think you dont direct your
letters plain enough the
ink fades so that it can
hardly be read by the time it
gets here, get some good ink

Well that's all I guess
tell all the girls & Boys
to write to me I may
stay here 40 years for all I
know & direct to 16th ^{Street} Gilbert
Add. Tex

Tuesday night & I am tired
as a dog. I have been out
burning around all over the
city. But with out any
money it is lousome work
to be burning around
if I could have been
lucky enough to have
got my money I could
have been just as happy
here as a slave this summer
you didnt think I can pay
that pretty did you I
only wrote it up thats all
I want to know what
I want of a Querman do you
I dont want any more I
get out of the Army &
then I am afraid I cant
get any - what do you
think can or cant I?

ph I had a letter from members

the above way & did
write as soon as you
hear from any of the Boys
whorby as Pet let me know
you may likely will hear
before then before I will
& especially Pet

Will I cant think of
any more to write
this time I have just
had a good old battle
& I will end this letter
& go to Bed

Give my respects to
all the Gall & Boys
& tell them I love
you to Bed

write soon

& tell all the rest
to write