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Dear Sister Mary

It has been a long  
time since I have writin to you  
or since I have heard from home  
so I thought I would write you a  
short letter as I have nothing else  
to do to day. and to morrow I am  
on guard so shall be and will have  
no chance to write I shall look  
for a letter to night from home  
for I think it is a bout time I  
got a letter from some of the  
Balks. every thing goes of well here the  
are looking for the Regt. here to  
night they are coming here sure  
for the Col. has sent for them



Evening. I will try and finish this  
letter this evening and tell you all  
about what we are doing. The Regt. has  
not come yet but I think they will  
be here by Monday night sure.

We shall have to go on guard pretty  
after I expect when they get here  
it is very cold weather here now  
the snow is at least four inches  
deep and it is rather cold standing  
guard these cold nights. But it is  
better than it is in front.

I like this place first rate I hope  
we shall stay here until our time  
is out and I think we shall  
for there has got to be some Regt.  
here. There is a Maryland Regt.  
here now but their time is out &  
will go home in a few days & we  
are to take their place.

I want you to write to me  
as soon as you get this  
and tell me all the news

Tell me where Manton is  
and what Pa. is doing and  
if he keeps that old plug you  
and how they like the school  
and all the news, you know  
if I had the patients to write  
I suppose I could write lots of  
things that happens here every  
day that would be interesting  
to you but I have not the  
patients to write, especially  
when I don't get any letters  
from home as any where  
else.

Well this is all I can  
think of to write with  
love and oblige

Adrian

The Boys are getting ready for  
a dance to night I will  
give you a falight invitation  
will you come? it short

Can you write me