

[undated fragment, apparently written at the hospital at Camp Parole, Annapolis, Maryland]

Gibbs said he saw him when the fight began & I dont know but he noticed him through the fight He said that James was very pale. made some comments upon it. But his being pale did not condemn him, for I do not doubt but there were very many pale faces there that fought nobly I doubt very much uncle ___s story. He has been known to tell several bad ones while with the Regt. How is James wound getting along. Tell Mr Ryder's folks to tell him to write to me. I would like very much as would others here to hear from him. Benj. Kilburn the one that's in the Hosp'l here with us is very poorly, confined to the ward most of the time. Perkins has had a sick spell & has got over it. I have not attended meeting much the past week. Our Chaplain is unwell. One Mr. Love a Hospt. Steward was thrown from his horse yestarday & injured very badly. I have bought me a gold Pen. this is it first trial. I paid 1.50 for Pen & case. The latter pretended to be silver. Have you rec'd That 5 dollars I sent. I will send 10 dollars in this. I lent Perkins 3 1/2 dols. no more this time. write all write the more the better

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