

April 6, 1864

From the Soldiers in the Field  
Camp of the 154th Reg.  
Lookout Valley, Tenn.  
March 24, 1864

We, the members of Company F, 154th regiment N.Y.S. Vols., do hereby send our sincere thanks to our kind friends at home in old Chatauqua, for a box of provisions that we have received to-day from those who will ever be remembered by the soldiers of our little company as friends of the Union and its liberties, and who will help to sustain the star spangled banner that it may float in triumph over all secessionism at last. The box came to our Captain, John C. Griswold, one who is worthy of the office he holds; and is loved and respected by all under his command. There is not a man in the Company but would do anything for him in their power. We are all right when he is with us. He would do anything in his power for us, and he is just the man for us. We will stand by him to the last.

The box came just in the nick of time, for we had just got orders to be in readiness to march, and we shall probably have to leave soon. Whither we are to go we know not, but we think we shall go toward the Rebs, as has been our custom heretofore. It has been a jolly time with us since the box came, and the contents have been divided among the company. We hope we may live to pay our friends at home for their kindness to us. We began to think that the friends at home had forgotten us, as we could see in the papers and by letters that the 112th were receiving boxes from Chautauqua, and we were not mentioned; but the tune has turned, I think, and we thank you for

your kindness to us. Your names will be remembered by us after  
"this cruel War is over."

M. S. G.