Camp of the 154th NY In the field Jan 30th 65

Dear Brother

The long looked for letter came to hand while in Savannah but to late to answer and learning that a mail leaves in the morning and considering my promise I feel I must write I learned by letter of John Green that Smith had been arrested for stealing and that he accused the Fullers, but we could not believe them guilty and I could heartly wish them innocent. Oh how but Mr Fuller and Mrs Fuller must feel very bad indeed. Well there is one that feels for them and pitties them, for I cannot but remember their kindness to me if there were no more cause to feel for them but I cannot feel but there is a sacred covenant between us. I feel bad that any one should be so led away as to be obliged to answer for their crimes by imprisonment. they are human beings as well as me, I _____ myself so we all do. yet I know the neighborhood is better off without Smith.

Perhaps you will hear of the burning of Savannah. I guess the citizens wish the White Stars back again. We left Savannah on the morning of the 27th inst. and march three days today ______ what for I do not know When we shall resume our march I do not know. we have generally marched on the same road we did before, but wether we do or not the Country presents the same view a low swampy land, the only dry land being a pine knoll. the timber is live oak, gum and pitch pine. our wood is this pitch pine, and generally the smoke that rises from a camp looks like the burning of a tea kettle I promise myself some sweet potatoes in the morning for I have been out and got enough of them, and Ike Smith is now peeling them. When or from where my next will be sent up, who can tell. We are not far from the Savannah river, and distant the city near thirty miles.

Yours truly,

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