

Cat 821
Transcript
Exhibit FVC

Dougherty Hospital
Opposite Fredricksburgh Dec 24/62

My Dear Winnie

I have been sofully occupied with the care of our wounded that up to this time I could not stop to write you more than the assurance that I was uninjured myself and during that time I have not even stopped to provide for my own comfort having slept in a tent in which could not kindle a fire and eat at the table with 9 others who worked with me or render my direction & to whom I realinguished the tent at night for sleeping purposes from 800 we now have but 40 left having sent

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all who had sufficient strength to warrant it to Washington for more comfortable Hospital accomodations--Tomorrow I shall commit these to other hands and return to camp I suppose to await another carnival of suffering & death--I met Dr Rugg of the 1_4th today and a considerable number of others at their Regt which now lies within 1/2 mile afar He still preserves his elements of Bragadocio yet not with the effort which he produced in Gowanda all seem to join in the opinion that he really knows less than he assumes to _____ Del-Chaffe is well & well liked I think--The articles I send you in the Box _____ Express were picked up by my attendants _____

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in their _____ about town and each article seemed worthless _____ on account of the abundance of such articles Fredricksburgh must have been a rich town although I have not passed through it myself enough to form a correct idea of it. My first attention was turned to locating Hospitals and next work crowded upon me so fast that I had no time to look about me until the order came to retreat Since then until now you have learned from me how I was occupied Rember me to all & write after

Yours affectionally

Geo

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Write me immediately on the arrival of the horse and how she looks &c &c

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Letter written by Surgeon Geo. A. Barr 6/4/62
on display at Fredricksburgh Visitor Center
"Dr. Rugg" is Corydon C. Rugg 1846-1877
Del Chaffe is Nathan A. Chaffe 1846-1877

[Courtesy of Phil Polen, Gowanda, N.Y.]