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Dear parents

I now set down to right a few minutes to let you now how I get along I have once set my foot on free soil & things have changed so that I am quite anxious to see the war goe on it is sunday we have had meting & the people came to meting some girls & some old ladies they is lot of girls here & the girls thinks a great deal of the union soldiers I fell in love with one of them we get all the milk we want to eat & warm bred & pies & most evry thing we are camped on the old battle field of south Mountain and our brigade is in the pass to hold the gap perhaps they will be a little fight in in a few days we are bound to make the rebs hunt there holes or do wors they are making for PA as fast as they can I hope they will reach york going to wake them up a little so we can get through with this wicked war we have had an awful hard march to get here I stood it first rate the last day they thought that we traveld 30 miles it kiled a great many that march did but I never was tufer in my life tell stephen that I got his letter & yours togeather & I send my check of 19.00 dolers to you & I want you to right & let me now if you received it I cant right mutch more now for they is lots of prety girls in camp here & I _____ want to talk to them a litle I nacherly think a great deal of the ladies now more at present

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tell Ell or let her read this leter that this is the finest country I ever saw wheat fields here of five or six hundred acres in & the nicest wheat I ever saw I can stand where I be now & see ten thousand acres of the nicest wheat I ever saw now more now

[Alansing Wyant, musician and private, Co. B, 154th New York, *National Archives*.]