

In Camp Dalton Ga Aug 20th / 63

Dear Bro C—

Your lengthy and interesting epistle of the 18th written from the St Charles came to hand this morning. A very quick trip for these times. It was mailed on the 19th. Hope you arrived at your destination safely. ~~Health~~ ^{you are} getting along well and are in good spirits. The latter I very much doubt as I know from experience how it feels. It is like getting a furlong and then going back to camp. Keep a light heart and stay hard for you will be in the army before this time next year. But what portion do you think you had rather go? Recd a short note from Mother of the 13th day before—

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from Grandpa also one from Aunt Lillie. I am
very glad to hear that they are all alive and well.
Ed & Halsey left for home, last Monday (the 18th)
on 30 days furlough. Some time you left for
school I suppose, so you missed dinner a few days.
How do they get mail at Portland now? What is
there in the Store for sale? We are having some very
pleasant weather here now, making up for the extreme
cold we had some time since. Had about an inch
of snow last week, which is all that has fallen
here this season. Well I don't think of anything
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