

Home has a hard time of truly. But then he is very  
fortunate in being at home. I hope he may soon  
rejoin. It is time that I was writing to you and  
Mother again, and it is also about time I was hearing  
from them too. Still I know that it is inconvenient for them  
to get any one to write for them. How is she getting  
along. I don't think I have heard her name men-  
tioned in a good while. Now, I know will regret  
the loss of his Boy very much out of his camp, and still  
more so, if it should prove true that he is dead,  
which I wrote you last. I have been getting along very  
well. Col. Buck has been sent off to the Hospital  
at Atlanta Ga. and I am now left alone as the Com-  
mand of the Regiment. I get along very well and  
have no reason to complain. I shall do my best to  
do my duty faithfully and impartially. I feel fully  
the responsibility of my position and will endeavor to  
so act as to win credit, both to myself and Regiment.  
It is uncertain how long Col. Buck will be absent. He  
will not return until his health is fully restored, which  
I think will be some time. Officers now, when they  
get sick are sent to the Hospital instead of being  
sent home as formerly. So you see there is not

...to get home now if I should get sick  
...to refuse to let a man go home when  
...the Government thinks it for the good  
...to have my  
...and that the night was off cool. The  
...we had a tremendous  
...The Beach and  
...entirely cut off. I have no  
...interest in writing you at present  
...at the point. I believe you said, at several  
...some important  
...but I don't know what it is.  
...that was  
...and  
...of the fact that our Generals think  
...that all our wagons and Mules have been  
...for the purpose  
...their condition.  
...another Antislavery Campaign has  
...and as soon as Gen. Boaggy gets his  
...she prepared  
...Strike for Antislavery  
...so long that I can

Hine has a hard time of truly, but then he is very fortunate in being at home. I hope he may soon recover. It is time that I was writing to Pappa and Mother again, and it is also about time I was hearing from them too. Still I know that it is inconvenient for them to get any one to write for them. How is Lu getting along. I don't think I have heard her name mentioned in a good while. Ira, I know will regret the loss of his Boy very much out of his crop, and still more so if it should prove true that he is dead. Since I wrote you last, I have been getting along very well. Col. Buck has been sent off to the Hospital at Atlanta Ga. and I am now left along in the command of the regiment. I get along very well and have no reason to complain. I shall do my best, do my duty faithfully and impartially. I feel fully the responsibility of my position and will endeavor to so act as to win credit, both to myself and Regiment. It is uncertain how long Col Buck will be absent. He will not return until his health is fully restored, which I think will be some time. Officers now, when they get sick are sent to the Hospital instead of being sent home as formerly. So you see there is no

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chance for me to get home even if I should get sick. It looks very hard to refuse to let a man to go home when he is sick but the War Department thinks it best for the good of the *[tear]* and has ordered otherwise. We have very pleasant weather now but the nights are very cool. We have frost every night. Night before last we had a tremendous frost. It looks like a young Snow. The Peach and Plum Crops I think are entirely cut off. I have no news of any particular interest to write at present. Everything at the front I believe is quiet at present. It is reported that our Cavalry have some important moves on foot but I don't know what it is. It seems to be the prevailing opinion here, that we will not have a fight at this point soon. One very good evidence of the fact that our Generals think so, is that all our wagons and mules have been sent off to some of the lower counties for the purpose of grazing the mules and improving their condition. It is rumored here, that another Kentucky campaign has been planned, and as soon as Gen Bragg gets his teams in good order and everything else prepared he will flank Rosencrans and strike for Kentucky.

again. We have been so long that I am

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getting tired of the place and feel willing to move in almost any direction merely for a change. The only that I should regret in going into Kentucky would be the fact that I could *[long tear in page]*

you from me untill I returned again. But this report is more rumor and I give it for what it is worth. Newt is well and hearty as usual.

Tell Mag that I did not intend to be "Saucy"

By the way I understand that Jim had returned to his Regiment. Give my love to Emma if she is still with you, Tell her to be a good girl and not to get homesick too soon. Remember me to May, Julia, Pappa, Mother and all Tell the dear children howdy & kiss them for Pa.

May God in Mercy bless you my dearest one

Good Bye - Your Devoted Husband

Newton

I received a letter a day or two since from Jace at Vicksburg. He was very well when he wrote