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the rear as closely as he did the front. He
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ched in review, by wheeling into columns and
marching past the Gen the mounted officers
saluting him he returning the salute by raising
his cap. The 5th Ala passed by him first & so
on as each regt was arraigned into line of battle.
Having marched around we wheeled into line
at the same place we occupied in line with
the stakes. We then went through several
manouvers of brigade drill as a conclusion
which being over we stacked arms to the
right & rear of the Gen and broke ranks, collected
near the Gen to see Daniels' brigade, which
had by this time formed in line with the stakes
where we had been, inspected & reviewed. go
Through a review. ~~As you thought~~
If I thought you would be interested a
description of Gen Ewells appearance I
would ~~write it~~ write it. You say as

men
young men have become & increased in number
which love me more easily than before
but I think it is quite an advantage to
the government. I wish I could say as much of
the young ladies. We see the injurious effect
their war has on them. A great many will choose
to take such husbands as they can get out
of a much more limited number of suitors
than before. We always appreciate that
which goes through the usually arduous course
in which true love is said to run & generally
gradually lose our appreciation of that which
is not difficult enough to excite a little
uncertainty of obtaining. I would marry no
one that was too easily won. Still I would not
have her too hard. She must not trifle with
my feelings. She must not try to see how far my
love will carry me, for it will carry me farther
than I wish to go because of the blindness of love
particularly with me. When I am in love I am
desirous of its being reciprocated by the object. When
I find that it is not my love is I should live & find
an early grave from which there is no resurrection.
My love for one so still alive but I fear another fall
over a full in love rough course will destroy its vitality
killing the nurse & were tenderly it may take a relapse
and die from the effects of its last illness. Enough
this. Mr. Sallie is well & is quite active as a ^{young} country officer
Brother's army. I sincerely hope he may get a large number of soldiers
I think he will. I am so well & strong all he can do for me
I give a great love. Give my respects to Mrs & Miss Taylor. To Cousins Binnie's Sister
S. Mrs & Sister. A kept a brother yourself. Bel

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