March 1863

Dear Father,

I received a letter from you yesterday which said you had not heard from me since I sent the money home. I wrote to you from Camp Hill two days ago, suppose you had not received it when you wrote last? You need not think I have forgotten you; yet six companies of our Regiment are in town and the other four are across the river. Our pickets have had a little brush with the enemy almost every day and night since you have been here.

A force consisting of three Regiments of Infantry, three Regiments of Mounted and one Battery started toward Columbia this morning. Columbia is twenty-four miles from here and they say the Rebels are in force there. There was quite a fire here across before yesterday if the soldiers had not taken hold of the engine and pitched in generally. One whole block burned down. We might have burned before and been left a helping hand to you. We have a delightful time once. How it has pleased with all the young men are in the Rebel Army. The Rebels fell the war.
in this town, they bring Rebel Cons and
sell horses outside, our time to get wood. I
they home to cut down the shore trees on
the sail. Melley's in their yards for wood, as
we destroyed a flaxing mill here. They
are here up for something. to eat. John
Qiunes of our company died Sunday morning.
She is not well yet. He is over the river.
So, do not fail to go to Bellefontaine for
those photographs taken from the picture
I sent home from Cincinnati. The
read letters from Indianapolis yesterday
which stated that three of the M. W. Victor
boys, who executed home, been arrested
for the postage. Yesterdays, I got a
letter from Mom yesterday. Don't fail
to get the photographs. No mine this time
write soon and send your letter some, as before

Yours affectionate
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