May 30th, 1863

Headquarters Company "K"
121st Regiment 3rd Vet Inf
Gilbert's Brigade Granger Division
In Camp near Franklin
Tennessee

Dear Father: your letter of April 30th is at hand and contains news. I owed Cox, Paulsen, William Brown, and Bob Moore probably some others I can not think of. You doubt their accounts how can I swear to a man who will swear to a lie to obtain money from a soldier dishonestly? I will do anything. I believe I owed Stephen Stillwell some. The plotters is sick in Desperte, the rest of the boys are generally well.

The first two letters of the name horens who wrote these there was not a legible sympathy in Northeast Tennessee are.

Our Depot, as well as all the keys coming our Brigade, started out on a heavy Sunday morning at two o'clock A.M. and marched about seven miles south of here to Columbia. The Rebel Pickets retired
As we were marching out and followed up and joined on our Rear Guard coming in

You may send me two or three of these photographs—give one to Ben Owen's widow—
send one to John Leuttre & keep the rest for my disposal. Nothing of interest occurring here at present. the work on the fortifications

Some quietly on—tell Slater he had better keep a white rag in his shop to hirt in case of a sudden attack by the artillerymen.

Minerals are so high that he does not deal in that article any more. he can send down to town quick and get a piece or if they have none he canker McCullough's signal flag or

If he can not get then he can stand in the door and stick out his shirt-tail

I shall send to the Editor of the Nashville Union and have him send you a copy of

The Nashville Weekly Union for one year. It comes at one dollar per year and is one of the best Union papers published in the

United States. No more at present.

Ever your obedient

[Signature]