

Tauamie Co., near Pricville Mo. S.S.,

August the 2nd 1862

Dear Sister

As I have another opportunity of sending another letter to Wacy by hand I thought I would ~~make~~ use of it though there is nothing more to write about now than there was then. though it will be of some interest to you all to hear from me as often as possible.

I wish I had something to write about for it is a task to me to write when I have a great deal, but it is much harder on when I have got nothing to write it is a much harder task.

There is possibly a few things that I did not write before that might be of some interest to you it is the enormous prices that every thing demands here, especially anything that is to eat. For instance a chicken ~~rather~~ it is to be had for is from 50^{cts} to \$1.00 roasting ears 25 to 50^{cts} for. Doz Apples and peaches \$2 to 3 for bu. butter milk and eggs cannot be had for love or money. and everything in accordance with the above. if you get meals actuals of bacon and bread it is 50^{cts}.

I have not heard any thing from Cy since I wrote my last though I have heard from Col. Morgan's command several times they were still taking towns in Tenn and Ky.

The reports that come in from them
say that they are doing a great deal and
losing very few men. They have taken
1300 prisoners Gen. Crittendon and several
Colonels among them and destroyed \$1,000,000
of government property. I intend to try
to get a transfer to ~~Wharton~~ Wharton.
Best as soon as John gets back and if
I cannot do that I will try to get a
discharge for John for it is impossible
for him to serve as Infantry.
I have not got anything to write about so
I will have to close this letter. The last
letter I wrote to you was not dated, it was written
on the 27th of July. I also forgot to tell
you how to direct your letters. And still
another thing I forgot to tell you was
that every body gets letters but me I don't
know the reason. Though it looks like
you had all forgot to write. Tell all the
relations to write to me for it is the
only real pleasure I have and even
that pleasure comes very seldom for as
I said in my last the last letter I received
was written ~~on~~ the 8th of April. Near 4
months since. I really can't help thinking
that you have written more than I
have received but Fannie Betty and
Ellen might write as well as others
of my relations and friends ~~and~~
and I by writing to you might keep
them all posted for if I can get ink
and paper I will answer them all
separately.