

May 27<sup>th</sup> 62

Dear Sister

I received your letter of the 24<sup>th</sup> to-day, it has been at head-quarters for a day or so I suppose hereafter direct your letters to 4<sup>th</sup> Reg V<sup>a</sup> Sol until I let you know that we have been ordered to head quarters, which I expect we will be in a short time as Gen Jackson has gone into camp here.

We are all lying idle enjoying the fruits of victory eating every thing good, & no Yanks near to fear as it is reported they have all gone across the Potomac, Ashby's Cavalry is still bringing in prisoners to-day two small boys, sons of citizens living near here took

two prisoners, the country as  
just full all around here  
all the prisoners taken here  
been taken have been brought  
to Winchester I suppose they  
intend to parole them.

Our army was rigged out  
in full suits of Yankee  
clothes yesterday but as  
several had been taken  
up for Yankees by our  
cavalry Gen Jackson order-  
ed all the clothes to be given  
up, so to-day we again see  
the old Confederates Gray when  
yesterday every one was in  
Yankee Blue. I did not come  
to get any clothes but I have one  
of their famous Belgian Rifles &  
indeed it is an arm to peer a  
perfect cannon, I also have paper  
in abundance of which this

is a specimen.

This army was certainly  
prepared to live well. They had  
an abundance of everything  
our soldiers have gotten  
above eating beef & bread  
as they can get every thing  
good, but it will not last  
always though we have a  
large supply so I suppose  
we must not despise beef  
& bread yet awhile -  
Frank Preston has had his arm  
taken off & I believe is doing  
very alright, this was comparatively  
a bloodless victory, they we lost  
one man who was worth a Reg-  
of Yankees (Cap Shells) all are  
well Good bye  
Fred  
No clean clothes yet -