

Sep 29th 1863

Camp Stone wall Brig
Dear Sister.

I received your letter of the 21st, day before yesterday I would have answered immediately, but our regiment was called upon to go on picket so I had to put off writing. So I suppose it is a foregone conclusion that I am destined to have an M.D. for an uncle, tell Aunt R that if she can possibly put off the day untill December I will endeavor to get a few loaves of corn home to witness the union of two such splendid specimens of the "Horned genus," by all means (if she cannot put off the day) save me some of the "peach pie & honey". We are all in regular camp again, I have a splendid bunk (a soldier's bed) but sleep rather cold since my old lady left me (George Clupin). Poor fellow he seemed so much to grieve over his father's death, may his affliction be sanctified to the good of his immortal soul, for he is indeed a splendid fellow, but rather disposed to be mild. I am very sorry my box is overruled, I suppose I will not get it, but I tell Eades (our mail carrier) to watch out at the C H perhaps it may come yet.

But do not be discouraged "try, try, again"

How are the Nation's tribes getting on?
What does Sag call that addition?
Red & Mac are fully developed in business
I suppose. I have opportunities here
of sending letters through the line as
the tickets are very friendly, we exchange
papers, talk on the state of affairs, trade
whenever for Coffee &c, I will write to
Eulie & send on through, if you wish
to write enclose it in one to me &
I will pass it through though, it is against
orders. Tell Pay to stay young as long
as possible & not to desire to leave
home, for he cannot better his condition
& speak from bitter experience. Oh how
pleasant I think home would be to me
now, but it is better to think as little
about these things as possible as I have
devoted myself to the cause of the
Confederacy, I will have to consider this
my home. The news is cheering from
Bragg, I hope he will have the skill to
follow up his success & it will result
in the entire annihilation of Rosecrans
army, quite blood thirsty you will
perhaps think, but I really think it would
be for the good of mankind if the whole

Yankee race could be swept from the
face of the earth. The New Church
See is Chaplain of the 5th Reg in this
brigade & bids here to leave all the rest
in the shade as all the Regiments go to
hear him preach in preference to their
own Chaplains, he certainly is a very
fine preacher. In my last letter
I wrote for some more money, I wish
you to send me \$20 as I borrowed that
amount from Mr. Kinton the sutler of the
27th Reg & wish to return it, I would
not write for money but do not know
when we will be paid off.

As it is getting dark I will close
love to all - Evered by

A. B.