

I have been playing the nurse  
for a day or so, my best fellow  
(George Chopin) has been quite  
sick, but is now recovering  
slowly from a spell brought on  
by imprudent eating.

We have had Rev. Mr. Eddy  
preaching to us, for a period  
you will remember him as  
the preacher who was the  
instrument of the great revival  
at Falling Springs a few years  
ago, he is a very powerful man  
always had an immense con-  
gregation & I think has been  
the instrument of doing some  
good here.

I will enclose Sully's letter  
if you perhaps you wish to  
forward it.

Everly yours,

A. B.

Camp Howell  
Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1863

Dear Sister

I received your letter of  
the 27<sup>th</sup> & also one from Editor  
& Tanner Patton (in which  
was enclosed one from Sully)  
on yesterday. So if you had  
given the space, which you  
occupied in copying Sully's  
letter, to other matters I would  
not much preferred it.

We are still in our old  
Camp & likely to remain so  
for some time as all eyes  
seemed to be fixed upon  
events transpiring around  
Charleston & Chattanooga.  
Our army is now in fine  
condition & engorging them-  
selves as much as soldiers can.

Gen. Erwell reviewed our  
Brigade on yesterday, we had  
quite a number of bronze &  
Musicon beauties to grace  
the field, after the review  
we were requested to give  
them a Rebel Charge, we  
formed in line about 200  
yds in front & down the hill  
from them & charged up to-  
wards <sup>the</sup> crowd of ladies  
officers <sup>with a well</sup> regiment (The only  
privileged persons in the  
army) but who has ever  
with stood a charge of the  
Stone wall Brigade. As  
we came on such a getting  
over the fence you never  
saw, the ladies be it will  
stand their ground bravely  
never flinching & I think  
they wished the gallants

of the Brigade to capture them  
As for my part I had an  
splendid piece in view  
but she threw such a show-  
er of smiles &c &c as com-  
pelled me to retire -

After the charge the Gen's  
& Col's went off to a supper  
while we returned to camp  
to our bed & bed as well  
satisfied as they.

Today the soldiers determined  
to have a sham review, so they  
appointed their Gen's & Col's from  
the ugliest men in the Brigade.  
Of course I would not come in  
under their score) I jyped them  
up in Shanghai training pro-  
vided them with mules &  
such specimens of the horse  
flesh as you saw last winter  
& altogether it was quite a complete  
affair