

Camp Co. "J" 6th Ga.
Nov. 7th 1863

My Dear Porcia:-

Your precious little [?] was received yesterday at the regular mail hour. I had begun to get uneasy about Timmie as I had requested, as I had requested sister to write us soon as he arrived at home, and she had not done so. I was not surprised at all when you told me he was sick, for I did not doubt much, but that he wanted to stay over his furlough. "John Glover sends word that if he is not back here by the time his furlough expires he is going to have him arrested and tried for desertion."

I dreamed last night - of being home and going into your [?], which was Brother M's office, I met your pa, and without saying "howdy" handed me some small shiny [?] confederate [?] bills to the amount of seven dollars and sister was instructing me how to invest is profitably by donating socks, shirts &c. to the government and receiving paper money in return. I believe I took the money and bought some fine Oranges or something of the kind with it. Ed. Wimberly dreamed, that Timmie got sick and couldn't come back in time, & that sister sent Marietta and Clara's Emily here to take his place. Dreams go by contraries you know, I wonder is these are auspicious omens! I am sure, I would like to see home very much right now. I have got my house raised, but not covered, nor the fire place fixed to it. Tell T. that is to the right of my little tent facing the street, and officers houses on the right of that, the Regt. is full of log cabins now, he would hardly know the ground, Ira Bullard was wounded in Fort Sumter that other day, but very slightly he has again reported for duty, [?] & Jim Pant, [?] Solomon, Rogers & Jim [Sansiford?] are in the fortress now, Brad [McElters?] and Tobe [?] came back last night from there, Brad and Tom Arrington are sitting in my tent, trying to annoy me in order to prevent me writing. Girls the subject of conversation of course as usual. Now about my bible reading, I read a chapter in the Testament every day, but don't think I profit much by the act. I have not one single particle of concentration can't keep my mind on a part of a chapter long enough to learn one thing about what I am reading. As to lounging about, I am not entirely free from that fault if you so consider it. If our Brigade was camped a mile or so beyond Cedartown from Glenhaven, on the creek you would see me a many a time coming up to Glenhaven about ten o'clock or eleven probably with Brad or Tom

Arrington, to see [if I?] although I knew you not. I would tell sister all this, and while waiting for it, you and Adela probably would be seen then I would be sure to introduce a conversation, would try to play the agreeable get you to play the piano for me, and finally would end it, with an invitation to come again from you. Tell me in your next what you think of it. Oh! I could tell a thousand things, could I, but see you long enough to have a chat. I forgot to say that if I did not take very well with you and Aeola, I should have a little romp with Sussie and Willie, and get on the good side of sister, and I should be sure to get an invitation to come again, Timmie can tell you my trips among the girls Fredericksburg, how I worked the wives with a sixteen year old, school miss while [on?] pickette in N.Ca. and got the invite from her "Call again, Srgt." don't ask him too many questions you might get me into a scrape when I get home my Regt. [?] says is going to

I enclose a letter for you to hand to your pa, written by myself to his brother Hugh, in the subject of joining this Co. He can read it and if he approves of it, he can send it on to him or destroy it just as he thinks best. If it is Mr. H. Bunns intention to get out of the field service, he can do well by joining us, for Genl. Colquitt has never failed yet to get his relatives from carrying a musket and giving them certificates (influencing the singers to do so) of disability in order to keep the conscript offices at bay. I can point out several who are not perfectly able to be in ranks and ought to be when he took out of this very company, with the exception of ten, who are following his baggage wagons about evading the conscripts law. But ifen it is not his intention to stay in ranks and do his duty as a soldier should do instead of seeking some positive as

I say go and join a company who are all gentlemen like himself and his equals in position. He can ask on this day as he likes but he had better "look before he leaps."

Tell sister is possible to send Timmie back on the 10th of Nov. not to let him stay over his time. Now about the girls, what sort of a stance do I take it Miss N. B? Do you think I could make a [10 with?] to spend a short time with you get when I home! Does she ever enquire after [?] much? and do you think her heart is one yet? I do not know how I will act until I become acquainted with your friend. Speak a kind word for me

occasionally. If sister has not already sent the shoes I wrote for, tell her not to send them until Timmie comes, as I bought a cloth pair the other day that may hold until he can come. I am very well clothed now with the exception of shoes and socks & drawers. I heard from Georgia the other day, she did not write a long letter, though a very interesting one. She favors an alliance between her cousin Mary L. and her Uncle Christopher and added that "I had warm friends in her Aunt Sallie's family, Cousin Mary often speaks of me as her child hood friend." Must close .

Love to all. Yours aff,

C. _____

Tell Adela I am wanting to hear from her. I enclosed two dollars & a quarter that I then sends Amanda, his sister., asks if she got the money, send by Timmie, give "her his love."