

ANDY EWING TO MACK

January 4th      Near Petersburg Va 1865

Dear Brother as this letter is sent to you and there is still a space unoccupied I thought I write a few lines to you to let you know that I and DC and Sam are all well this morning and I hope this will find you the same. there is now about 2 inches of snow on the ground but not very cold this letter was directed to me so of course I broke it open and found it to be to you two So I will put it in a new envelope and send it to you I started four to you day before yesterday I hope you will get them in one there was 2 dollars that nan sent for you when you write tell us if you got them or not I got a letter last night from Emily dated 27th of Dec the folks was all well then Mc John Williams was wounded yesterday in the thigh. the ball went through but did not break the bone he was and Sam and Bates with him down in the woods after some wood so he got it plugged to him but not dangerously there was a duel fought here yesterday with the forts but no one hurt that I have heard of it was pretty lively for an hour or two there is still some Johnnies coming in now and then now I will have to close this short letter I don't know whether you can read it or not for I have written it in five minutes here this morning that Sargent Baker has command of Co. D we are divided now each answer to his own Co AAE to Mc E write often

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Note: This letter was penned in red ink upon a vacant page of the letter written by aunt Lydia Hank about Dec. 31, 1864, to father and then remailed to him at Jarvis Hospital.

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Note: John H. Williams enlisted in Company H at March 2, 1864, at the age of 18. He was from De Witt, and joined his regiment at the same time as Mack and the others. Williams was discharged on June 26, 1865, because of wounds received while in action.

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