

Letters from John Haverty

To his sister

Miss Hannah Haverty

Mill Brook

Warren County

New York

January 1862 -April 1864

Write soon Direct your letter as be fore

Albany School Barracks

January the 14 1862

Dear Sister

I received your kind and affectionate letter of the 8 which give me great pleasure to know that you were in good health and all so when I herd that Bridget and Richard and the children was all well and in good health, I was glad all so when I herd that Michael and Mrs. Haverty and the Boys all been well and in good health as those Lines leaves me in at present. Thanks be to god for his merceys to me dear sister I receive the kind present that you enclosed in your letter to me for which I am for ever oblidge to you for your kindness to me for I never was harder up for money in my life while Patrick had money he did not let me want for any thing but when his money was gon Both he and I had to want for we cant get any money here we thought that we would get our pay here the first of January but know the say that we shant get any before the first of March and the Boys says that if the don't got there pay this month that the will all go home. Dear Sister it is pretty cold here to stand on guard we have to stand one day in the week: 2 hours on and 4 off for 24 hours. There is not much snow here but it is clear cold weather all the time. Our fare is pretty hard for the last 3 or 4 weeks we dont got know butter no shugar or milk in our coffee. Hannah I give a Dollar to Patrick and he returns you his most sincer thank for your kinds towards him as he said that he never deserved that much of you Dear Sister if we get our pay we will come up and see you all before that we go of south. Dear Hannah I was down town today and I got my Picture taken and I thought that I would send it up to you but it is not as good as it would be a clear day but if I go up I will get it taken in a case and bring it up with me. Patrick sends his love to you in the kindest manner and to Richard and family and to Michael and familey and he all so sends his Love to John in the kindest and all inquiring friends John Monan is well and sends his love to you all in the kindest manner James Lowe is well and send his love to you all in the kindest manner.

No more at present But remains your affectionate Brother John Haverty

Dear Sister I send you a small Present in this letter it is a cross that I drew as prise in the groserly where we get trust[?] I dont know whether it will go or not if it does let me know. Direct as be fore

THE WAR FOR THE UNION

Our Glorious Flag Forever

Albany February the 11 1862

Co. A[?] 93 Regiment NYSV

Dear Sister

I now take the pleasure of writting to you once more to let you know that I am well and in good health. Hoping that these few lines will reach and find you in the enjoyment of the same. Dear Sister I hope that you will excuse me for not writing to you Before this I would but we was expectation to leave here every day for the last three Weeks so I did not like to write to you untill that we would know where we should go to but we are yet and dont know what day we will leave here.

We got no pay here yet I think that we will get it the first of March that is if we be here that long. But I think we will not be here that long we are getting trust [thrust] in the sutlars[?] now for last three or four days so we are not so Bad of now as we was some time ago. Dear Sister the fare is pretty hard here at present and we are all in a hurry to get of out of this place for the weather is awfull cold here along with Every thing else. Dear sister I guess that this will be my last letter from me to you While I am in albany for we cant tell the day that we will leave.

Patrick Hurson is well and sends his Love to you and to Bridget and Richard in the kind manner he all so sends his Love to John Haverty in the kinds manner he all so sends his Love to Michael and Mrs. Haverty and family in the kinds manner. I am all so well and send my love to the kinds manner and to Bridget and Richard, Micahel and the familey in the kinds manner.

No more at Present But remains your loving Brother John Haverty

Write soon and let me know how you are all Before that I leave albany

Yours Truly John Haverty

March the 12 1862

Camp Stanton Washington

Dear sister

I received your letter the day that I left new york which gives me great pleasure to here of you been well and in good health as these leaves me in at present. Dear sister we left york at one oclock on Thursday after noon and got to Philadelphia at two in the night when we got a good supper then we went on the cars again for Baltimore we got there about 4 oclock on Friday evening when we got supper there again then we got on the cars for washington we arrived in washington at day light in the morning then we got Breakfast and marched 4 miles to where we are camp at present.

Dear sister the days here are warm but the nights are cold there is now snow here there is a light frost here night we can here the cannons firing every day and night I cant tell how long that we will stay here the had a battle on Sunday at Leesburgh I herd that our men takin 2000 prisners but that there was a hevey loss on both sides it was reported this morning that the rebels had left manassas but I cant tell how true it is there was trups marching trough washington from twelve oclock on Sunday night till yesterday. We are camp out now there is six of us sleeps in a tent.

Dear sister we get now pay yet I dont know when we shall get it we think that we will have to go in to a battle before that we get any pay for we are coming nere to it every day. I like it better here than I did albany or new york but it is not so healthey I guess.

Dear sister the next letter that I write to you I will have more news. Dear sister I send my love to you in the kinds manner all to Richard and Bridget in the kinds manner michael and familey John Haverty in kinds manner Patrick is well and sends his love to you and Richard and familey in the kinds he all so sends his love to all inquiring friends John Noonan has got married in albany he did not come with us from new york he left us there we did not here from him since no more at present But remains your affectionate Brother till Death

John Haverty

Dear sister when you write Direct your letter to Camp Stanton Washington DC for John Haverty Care Captin O L Colvin Co A 93 Regt

NYSV

Apr the 31 1862

Dear sister I received your letter a weak ago and was glad to hear from you the same day we got our pay. I sent you forty five dolars. I sent it by the mail easier [?] way [?] it to the express office. write as soon as you get this and let me know if you get it. we marched away from where we was we have been marching three days and we are one mile from the rebel incampment all most to the picket. We came through hampton that was burned down by the rebel We stayed there all night and slept in the grave yard with the dead. It is very warm now the trees are all leaves out. We have no tent we sleep on the gound. we exspect to have it batter. every day they are so near them for they threw shells in to our camp. We fare very bad. We have salt [?] kept in our haversack.

I think the man I let have the money has runaway with the money. I send my love to [illegible] return you may send me your likeness if you can as well as not. So good by.  
John Haverty

THE NATION'S DEFENSE

HEADQUARTERS

CAMP Warwick Apr the 28 1862

Dear sister

I received your kind letter of the 16 in which give me great pleasure to here of you been well and in good health as those few lines leaves me in at present Dear sister the day that I received your letter we had to march fifteen miles to a place called warwick that is twelve miles from york town Dear sister it was a warmer day than any that I ever seen around Schroon Lake and the dust was knee deep. I guess it was hard to march and carrey a knapsack haversack gun and all the rest of our equipage which made in all a nice load to gather. Each man had to carry three days rations with him and that was nothing but hard pild [?] bread. the weather is so warm here now that we go in our shirt and pants and that is more than we want to wear at present. Dear sister it is a beautiful country down south here all the frost trees are blossomed here and the look nice. Dear sister we cant tell how soon that we may be in battle for the rebles are ownley two miles from where we are in camp just across the James river and we are in this side of the river. We expect to attack york town every day. we cant get much news about what is going on now for there dont come any papers to camp latley.

The boys went out this morning and brought a sheep and hog one that would were about one hundred pounds that was the first fresh meat that we had in some time. Dear sister I got now treck of the money yet or I dont expect to fore the man that I give it to I did not see him since. he was the male carrery. I am sorry that I did not let Patrick Hurson know that I was going to send the money and it would go all right for he sent sixty dollars and he got a return and it went all corect but I did not tell him until it was to late he then told me that I would never see it again for he said that I ought to get a recate [receipt] from him for the money but I did not get any from him.

Dear sister give my Give my love to Bridget and Richard and familey Michael and family and to all in inquiring friends.

Patrick Hurson is well he sends his Love to you and to Richard and familey Mr. Haverty and familey. He all so send his love to John Haverty in the Kinds man [kindest manner].

From your Brother John Haverty

When you write Direct your letter to John Haverty Co A 93 Regt NYSV Care Captin Colvin, Old Point Comfort Virginia

General Casey Division

June the 11 1862 Camp near the [?] Bridge

General Head quarters Army of the Potomac

Dear sister I now take the pleasure of writting to you once more these few lines hoping that this will reach and find you in good health as the [illegible] is at present. Dear sister I hope that you will [illegible sentence] letter before this [illegible] I would [illegible] we are on the march about all the time but we wont have so much marching to do any more we are now General McClellan Bodey Guard and we have verry good times of it at present. are within five miles of Richmond and we expect to be in Richmond in a few days. we would be in it before this but on account of the rain that made [?] the roads so muddy that the troops cant march [?] but we hope that roads [?] will soon dry up so that we can march in it Richmond.

Dear sister there was a great Battle within two miles of us on last Sunday, the first of June on the Chickamauga Creek. There was brutal [?] fighting on both sides. Our men victorys. Patrick Hurson is well and sends his love to you and Richard and Bridget in the kinds manner. Alexander Anderson went to the Hospitable yesterday he was very sick. I think [illegible sentence] of he dont get is change verry soon.

Dear sister we got our pay. we onely drawed pay up to the first of May. there is near five months pay coming to us yet. Dear sister I enclose ten dollars in this letter to you. I hope it wont go as the last that I sent but this is a riskey way to send money but there is no express runs this way.

Dear sister I send my love to you in the Kinds manner and all so to Richard and Bridget in the Kinds manner.

No more at the present but remains your affectionate Brother un till I with John Haverty

When you write Direct your letter to John Haverty Co A 93 Regt NYSV Care of Captin Colvin General Head Quarters Army of the Potomac to General Head Quarters Army of the Potomac



Harrison's Landing Virginia

July 8<sup>th</sup> 1862

Dear sister

I hope that you will excuse me for not answer your letter before this. I would but I did not have time on account of the retreat that we had to take the time that I got your letter we was 8 miles from richmond and now we are 45 or 50 miles from it all because we did to have troops enough to meet the rebels the had one hundred and fifty thousand where we had onley 70 or 80 thousand. the say there was awfull fighting on both sides the rebels has taken a great many of our men prisoners. on accout of them been stregling behind about one thousand rebels them I seen my self our advance troops was two miles from richmond when the battle comenced the was the Irish Bregade. I dont know where the are now the army is all lying still this week expecting reinforcement and if the dont get it soon I think the rebels will drive us again but God for Bid that the would. Dear sister I have not been in any battle since Williamsburgh since then our company and three others of the regiment goes with General McClellan head Quarters all so that leaves us free from fighting for so far.

I did here from Alexander Anderson since he went to the hospitable. I don't know where he is.

Dear sister I send my love to you in the kinds manner all to Richard and Bridget and the children all so to Michael and familey in the Kinds manner.

Good by Hannah

Dear sister when you write Direct your letter to John Haverty Co. A 93 Regt NYSV Care Captin Colvin

Head Quarters army of the Potomac

Dear sister I have not more to say at present Patrick Hurson had a letter from John Haverty the other day and he said that he was up to mill Brook and that you were all well and injoying your selves which I am Happy to here we are camp in a pleasant place now on the Banks of the James river. there is a pleasant breese of the river and our camp is in a nice pine Grove which Keeps of the burning sun which it is hot enough this day to melt aman right down. Patrick is well he sends his love to you and Richard and the familey and all so to James Hurson and all inquiring friends.

Harisons Landing Virginia

August the 11 1862

Dear sister

I received your kind and affectionate last night which give me a great Pleasure to here of you been well and in good health as thse lines leave me in at present. thank god for his mercey to me. Dear sister I havent got much to say at present as the troops are all laying still there is no senc of them making any kind of a move but I dont know how soon the will for the wheather is warm and the cant do much at present.

Dear sister I inclose twenty Dollars in this letter to you I would send you more but we must buy every thing so high that we must keep money to buy what we want or we would be hard up if we was trusting to what we draw for our rations we have to pay 25 cents for a pound of soft bread 50 cents for a pound of butter and 45 cents for a pound of cheese and every thing els in proportion. Potatoes are twelve shillings a peck so it takes money to buy all these things here what we want but I dont buy only what I cant get along with out.

I must now concude by sending my love to you and to Richard and Bridget in the Kinds manner. Patrick Hurson is well he sends his best respects to you and Richard and Bridget and the Children in the Kinds manner. he said that he has wrote two letters to Richard and got no answer and he said that would not write no more to he would get one from him for he thinks Richard has more time to write than he has for he is on duty allmost every Day and gets only three night sleep in the week.

James Low is getting better. tell James Hurson that Patrick thinks it would be better for him to get married than to enlist but he an do as he wishes about it.

no more at Present But remains your affectionate Brother untill Death

John Haverty

When you write Direct to John Haverty Co A 93 Regiment NYSV Head Quarters army of the Potomac

Harisons Landing

July the 24 [29?] 1862

Dear sister

I received your letter of the 18 which give me great pleasure to here of you been well and in good health as these lines leaves me in at present. Dear sister we were not on the battle be for Richmond but we were with in a mile of it there is not much going on in the army at present the are weared out with diggin breast works. The weather is verry warm down here but we are in a verry pleasant pine grove on the bank of the James river which makes it some cooler with breees of the river. James Lowe is sick in the hospital this two weeks but he is getting better.

I was happy to here that you had such a pleasant time of it at the picnic on last thursday. Patrick Hurson had letter from Johney Haverty last night and he said that he was going to inlist but I think he had better not for he will find a change if he comes down here this summer. he said that his father was working to Horicon. I have not got much news at present. Patrick Hurson is well he sends his Best respects to you all so to Richard and familey and to James Hurson. I conclud by sending my love to you and to Richard and Bridget in the Kinds manner and to all inquiring friends

I remain your affectionate Brother untill Death John Haverty

when you write Direct your Letter to John Haverty Co A 93 Regt NYSV

General Head Quarters army of the Potomac

Please write soon

AWAY DOWN SOUTH IN DIXIE

Rock vill September 9th 1862

Dear sister

I take this opportunity of writing these few lines to let you know that i am well at presant hoping that these few lines may find you in the same. we have been marching these five days. we started from washington on sunday. we should have had our pay before this time if we had stood in washington but it wont be long before we get it. i have had to march most every day since i got that letter from you and did not get time to write to you before. we expect to have another battle before long about ten miles from here. i dont know whether we shall be in it or not they had a hard battle at bull run. we had to go out and guard provisions at fair fax station. i have not much time to write at presant. all the boys are well excepting James Low. he is not well at presant. A. Anderson is back to the regiment again and is well. i send my love to you all and remain your bother untill death.

John Haverty

direct to me Ge. Head qtrs

Washington D.C. or else where in care of Capt. Colvin Co A 93rd Regt NYSV

Sept 30th 1862

Camp near Sharpsburgh

Dear sister

I takes this opportunity of writing these few lines to let you know that i am well at preasant hoping that they may find you the same. i received your letter of the fifteenth and was glad to hear that you were well and in good health. we have had a big battle since i wrote to you. our regiment was not in it but we were so near it that we could see it all day. we were going in when we were ordered back. the twenty second passed us they were in the fite and there is not more than twenty of them left now. they were in the fight at bull run. we marched through Fredrick Cittie. the rebels left there that morning and we got there at three oclock. there was hardely a window that was not a flag hung out of. they had their cannons planted in the cittie. they only killed seven or eight of our men there. this is a pretty hilly country. we could see them fighting seven or eight miles off before we got up to them. they had a fight up on a hill. the rebels got on a hill and started to shell our men. when they were coming up the hill they were fighting a day and a half. the irish brigade passed us and was in the fight. they charged on the rebels and drove them back but they sustained a heavey loss. the rebels had all the advantage. they made the best charge was made that day. the rebels crossed the river they best way they could and left all their ded on the field fore our men to burey. i was on the field and saw them. they laid one on top of the other. they buried all they could and the rest they burnt. they burnt about three thousand of them. the rebels are rough looking soldiers. plenty of them have no shoes nor blankets. they are not much like uncle sams soldiers. we have a good deal of guard duty to do. we have to be up most every other nite but that is better than fighting. we have not got a very big company now. there is a good many of our men in the hospital. i send my best respects to you all. so good by fore this time, i remain your brother unto death

John Haverty

direct to me Gen Head Qtrs (93rd Regt NYSV

Washington D.C.

or else where

Warrington Virginia

November the 11 1862

Dear sister

I now take the pleasure of writting to you once more to let you know that I am well and in good health. Hoping that these few lines will reach and find you in the enjoyment of the same. Dear sister we had a great revue today by General McClellan. it is his last day in this war for he has resined his command and he went all trough his army to day and bid them all a good by and fearwell and the all feel bad because that he has left them. he has given his commend to General Burnsid's. I dont know how he will do. he is a verry good fitting general. I hope that we will end the war soon.

Dear sister you must excuse me for not answering your letter before this. I would but we have been on the march now for the last 8 days so I did not have time to write to you for there is nothing would give me more pleasure than to answer your letters if I ownley had time. Dear sister we got no pay yet. it is all most five mounth since we had our pay. we would get it the first of october but we was not long enough in one place since to draw it but I think we will soon get it now if we stay here. we are onely forty miles from Washington.

Give my love to Richard and Bridget and the all so to Michael and familey in the Kinds manner.

James Low is well.

Patrick Hurson is well and in good health. he sends his Love to you and Richard and the familey in the Kinds manner. he wrote two or three letters to Richard and James Hurson and never got answer to any of the. I must conclud. by sending my love to you in the Kinds manner.

no more at present But remains your affectionate Brother John Haverty

When you write direct your letter to John Haverty Co A 93 Regt NYSV Head Quarters  
army of the Potomac Washington D.C.

Fredericksburgh Virginia

December the 11 1862

Dear sister I

now take the pleasure of writting to you once more to let you know that i am well and in good health at present hoping these few lines will reach and find you injoyment of the same thanks be to god for his mercey to me. Dear sister I received your Kind letter of the 17 th which gives me great pleasure to here of you been well and in good health for there is nothing would give me more pleasure than to hear from you and of you been well.

Dear sister we have got a good deal of Duty to do now. we be on guard every other night. the weather is pleasent hear days but it freezes hard. nights there has been about five inches of snow here on last saturday but it is all most gon now. we are in camp now near Fredericksburgh virginia. that is sixty miles from richmond but we expect to moove to morrow or next day for the troops are mooving across the river to day and we will soon folloy them. we are going to have a winter campain I belive. I wish that we was in richmond now but I am afraid that we shant get there this winter by the mooves that has bee made leatly.

Dear sister we got four mounth Pay on last saturday so I in close ten dollars to you in this letter. I would send more to you but Patricit said it was better not to. I would see if this would go all right or not and if it would I can send more in my next letter to you.

Patrick has been sick for the last two or three weeks but he is getting better. now he sends his love to you and Richard and familey in the Kinds manner. he all so sends his love to James Hurson in the Kinds manner. he all so sends his love to Mr. and Mrs. Schuy in the Kinds manner all so to Mr. Millen and family. James Low is well he sends his love to you all. I must now conclude by sending my love to you and bridget and Richard in the Kinds manner Michael and familey all so in the Kinds manner.

no more at present but remains you affectionate Brother ontill Death

John Haverty

When you write direct your letter to John Haverty Co A 93 Regt NYSV Head Quarters  
army of the Potomac Washington D.C.

January the 7 1863

Camp near Fredericksbug Virginia

Dear sister

I take the pleasure of writting to you once more these few lines hoping the Will reach  
and find you in good Health as these lines leaves me in at present. Dear sister I received  
the present that you sent me three pares of gloves and two pare of socks and two  
handkerchiefs which I am verry much oblig to you for. Dear sister I sent you ten dollars  
in a letter on the 15 of December. that is all most 4 weeks ago and you did not let me  
know wheather you got it or not which Kept me from sending any more untill I would  
know wheather you got it or not. the weather is pleasent here for this time of the year.  
there is no snow or frost much. the roads are in first real order better than the generally  
be in summer. I dont see the reason why the dont fight now when every thing is good  
order the cant have any excuse about muddy roads now for there is none. if the dont  
fight any more this winter I am sure the rebels will whip us in the summer for the half of  
our army will be discharged in may and what can we do with them then when we cant  
drive them now. Patrick Hurson is well he send his Respects to you. James Low is well  
and in good health.

I have not much more to say at Present so I must now conclude by sending my love to  
you in the Kinds manner all so to Richard and Bridget and the children in the Kinds  
manner and to all inquiring friends.

no more at present but remain your affectionate Brother untill Death

John Haverty

When you write send your Letter to John Haverty Co A 93 Regiment NYSV Head  
Quarters army of the Potomac Washington D.C.



P.S. write soon

Febury the 5 1863

Camp near Falthoth Virginia

Dear sister

I received your kind letter in due time which give me a great pleasure to here of you been well and in good Health as these few lines leaves me in at present. thank providence for it. Dear sister the weather is verry cold here at present there fell about one foot of snow on last saturday but it was all gone in one day after it fell and then it turned round and blowed and frigid ever since. I have now to inform you that we have got another General in Command of the army of the Potomac. we have now got General Hooker in place of Burnside. I hope that hooker will do better than old Burney did. the expected to have a battle be fore this for the army had moved to make attack on Fredericksburg once more but when the got there the rain commenced and the all had to fall Back to there old Camps again. so every thing quite since so I dont know where the will go the next move that the make. I hope it will be to new york. Dear sister you said in your last letter you would send me a pare of boots. you needent mind sending them now for I have got a pare and you said for me to look out for a bundle with some woollen shirts in it but if you sent it I did not get it yet. if you send them let them be red ones for the are the best in the army for the are the easeyst kept clean and that is what we want here. Patrick says if I get a cupple for him that he will pay me for them what ever the prise will be. plase send them as soon as you can.

Hannah I do enclose ten dollars to you in this letter. I would send you more but I dont like to risk to much in a letter at once as there is a great deal of losses by sending money. so give five dollars of this to Bridget. you can tell Richard that I would send him some before this if had not lossed so much at first.

I must now conclude by sending my love to you and Richard Bridget and the children in the kinds manner. Patrick is well and sends His love to you and Richard and Bridget and the children in the kinds manner. he all so sends his love to James Hurson and he send his Respects to Mr. Sheehy and family.

From your affectionate Brother

John Haverty

When you write Direct your letter to John Haverty Company A 93 Regiment NYSV  
Head Quarters army of the Potomac Washington D.C.

March the 10<sup>th</sup> 1863

Camp near Falmouth Va

Dear sister

I received your kind letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> which give me great please to here of you all been well and in good health as those few lines Leaves me in at present.

Dear sister I received the box on sunday that you sent to me by express. Everything came all right. I give Patrick Hurson two of the shirts and he wants you to let me know the prise of them. Patrick was so much rejoised at the present that Peter sent him and for his kindness that he set up smoking all most all night out of the new pipes for a clay pipe is a scarse thing in the army and he turns[?] his most sincere thanks to Peter for his kindness to him.

Patrick and I joins in returning Mr. and Mrs. Bush our most sincere thanks for there kindness to us both. the weather is getting fine Down here now. the army is all lying still at present. there is no word of forward movement among the troops that I here of.

Dear sister I have not much more to day at Present. Patrick seen John Miller on last Thursday he was well.

give my love to Richard and Bridget and the children in the kinds manner

write as before

From your affectionate

Brother John Haverly to  
His sister Hannah

Miss Hannah Haverly  
Mill Brook  
Warren County  
NY

April the 28 1863

Camp near Falmouth virginia

Dear sister I once more take the Pleasure of writing to you these few Lines hoping that the will reach and find you in good health as these lines leave me in at present thank god for his mercy to me. the weather is more like summer. the roads is all dried up. we expect another battle at Fredericksburg thou in a few days we are under marching orders to be redy at a moments warning we are to take eight days rations in our haversacks but we will have better cooks than we had before if we can march 8 days with out been stoped. 4 days will bring us to Richmond at 14 miles a day out. we will have somewhat work before we can get to Richmond. I am sure the boys are all eager to commence ther summer camping. Dear sister I not much to say at present as every thing is still in the army of the potomac. But it wont be long still I expect that the call will be opened before you get this letter if the weather keeps drie for it is expected every hour and the sooner the better. Dear sister I inclose \$20 Dollars in this letter to you. if it comes I would send more But I did not like to risk any more in one letter at present. I have no more to say at present. give my love Richard and family in the kinds manner.

James Lowe is well. Patrick Hurson is well he sends his best respects to you and all inquiring friends.

no more at present but remains your loving Brother

James Haverty

When you write direct your letter to John Haverty Co. A 93 Regiment New York State

Volunteers Head Quarters

army of the Potomac

Washington D.C.

Miss Hannah Haverty

Mill Brook

Warren County

NY

Camp near Falmouth va

June the 1 1863

Dear sister

I take the pleasure of writting to you once more to let you know that I am well and in good Health at present hoping these few Lines will reach and find you on the enjoyment of the same.

I hope that you will excuse me for not writting to you be fore this But was moving head Quarters Rigen out the Camp so I did not have time to write before this. the 22 Regiment NYSV leaves here to day for albany after serving ther term of two years the are going to Glens falls before the are mustered out of the seris of the united states.

I enclose ten dollars in this letter to you. I would send more but I dont like to send much in one Letter for fear of some accadence[?] or an other. I will send you ten more in my next letter.

Patrick Hurson is well and in good health all so James Lowe is well. I must now conclud by sending you all my best Respects and well wishes as the mail is going out.

I remain your Brother Truly

John Haverty

Direct as be fore

I hope that you will excuse this short letter as I was in a hurry and the mail was going out

Union town virginia

July the 23 1863

Dear sister I now take the please of writting to you those few lines to let you know that I am Well and in good health at Present hoping that these few Lines will reach and find you enjoying the same Blessing.

Dear sister we have been on the march since the 14 of June. we have been trough mary land and Part of Penselvenia and back to Virginia again. we did not camp two nights in one place since we have march from 27 to 31 miles a day and carry knapsacks under a scorching sun and some times march trough rain and mud knee deep. after the rebels the got away from us in Maryland and now we are looking for them trough virginia again. I herd that the are drafting up around Mill Brook and Pottersville. when you write Let me know who the have taken from Mill Brook.

Patrick Hurson is well. he sends his respects to you and all inquiring friends. James Low is well.

I must now conclude by sending my love to you and Richard and familey in the kinds manner.

Please write soon

Direct to John Haverty

Co. A 93 Regiment NYSV

Head Quarters army of the Potomac

Washington D.C.

Please excuse this Bad writting

August the 24 1863

dear sister I received your kind leter and am very glad to hear from you you and here that you are well. I am well and hope these few lines will find you enjoying the same good feelings. I would have writen sooner but we have been marching and could not. we are laying still where I wrote before. there is not much [in us?] moving very soon. we have been paid off here once it isnt very safe to send money in leters. at good many of the boys has lost it in that way. it makes it pretty hard since the night went to new york. we have to do their duty and was told there is a good many of the boys talk of enlisting over into the veteran corps. they give them four[?] hundred and two dollars and they stay two years more than they would in their one regt. I think I shall not enlist. I think I shall stay where I be untill my time is out. there is about ten [?] up there after the [illegible] and regt is not very large num[?] it is a pretty small regt. hurson has been sick has about two weeks and is not well yet.

write and let me know how all the folks are getting along up there so good by

direct to Co A 93 regt NYSV gen head quarters army of the potomac Washington D.C.

Miss Hannah Haverty

Mill Brook

Warren Co.

N.Y.

Culpepper Virginia

Sept the 20 1863

Dear sister

I received a letter this evening from you by Liet Ingraham which gives me great pleasure to hear of you been well and in good health. Dear sister I hope that you will excuse me for not answering your letter before this. I would but the time that I got your letter I was sick and went to the Hospital the next day and I am there since. I am getting better I can Walk around trough the Camp. Patrick has been sick over two mounth with a fever in

the Hospital. he left the hospital but he dont gain much yet in his strenth. he was verry low. the did not send us of to any Hospital onely the Regimental Hospital and that is a verry bad place for a sick person to be. our Doctor will never send a man of to a general hospital unless he thinks that the are going to dies espesial a sertain class.

We got orders to march this after noon. I dont know wheather we are going to fall back from Culpepper or to advance to the Rapadan. I cant march I will be caried in an ambulance. Patrick wont be able to march in a march yet for he gains verry slow.

Dear sister I must now conclude. Patrick sends his best Respects to you. he wants you to excuse this bad writting as his hand shakes so he cant hold the pen.

Give my love to Richard and Bridget and the children in kinds manner.

no more at present but Remains your loving Brother untill Death John Haverty

write as before

Culpepper Virginia

Oct the 10 1863

Dear sister

I received your kind and affectionate Letter last night which give me great pleasure to here of you been Well and in good health as these Few lines leaves me in at present. Thank god for his mercey to us all. I hav got over my turn of sickness and is on duty again. I am all right now. I feel as well as ever I did. Patrick dont gain much yet all though he has been on Duty once since he left the hospital.

Dear sister I enclose twenty dollars in this letter to you. I would send more but I went trough a good deal of money while I was sick. use what you want of this money. you need not be saveing it for me.



Dear sister I dont want you to be fretting or feeling dishartened about me for I am all right now and if I live my time will be out in a eleven month or less. there is some of our regiment reenlisten for three years longer. the Government is given 4 hundred dollars bounty for three more. the Colonel says if we in list over that we will go home for six weeks to rest [?] up or likely a longer time. the days here is plesant and warm but the nights are very cold. I have not much more at present as the army is all laying still. I dont think that there will be any more fighting this fall with this army of the Potomac.

Patrick sends his best Respects to you. James Lowe is well he sends his Best Respects to you all so Patrick sends his Best Respects to Richard and Bridget and the children in the Kinds manner.

I must now conclude by sending you my love all so Give my love to Richard and Bridget and the children in the Kinds manner.

no more at present But remains your

Brother until Death

John Haverty

write as before

Camp near Brandy station Va

November the 22 1863

Dear sister I

received your kind letter with the Postage stamps in due time. it gives me great pleasure to here of you been Well and in good health as those Few lines leaves me in at present. thank god for his mercey to us all.

Dear sister I would have wrote to you Before this but we was expectation to move every day. we was to move today But is commenced to rain this morning so we cant move now for a spell longer on account of this rain. we did have Beautiful weather all this fall untill now. I am afraid that we are going to have a wet spell now. when we came to this camp we thought that we was going in to winter quarters so we went to work and built

us up our winter quarters. we camp in a beautiful Pine woods. there was five larg barns close by and we went to work and pulled them Down every stick and carred them to Camp so now we have all the barns worked up in to our shantys if we should stay here all winter. we have got pretty warm Quarters for us to live in but I think that we wont stay here a great while for general meade says that he will go in to richmond this winter if the weather permits. our Regiment sent to albany and got a lot of boots for the winter the only cost us \$3.75 cents a pear. the are pretty good boots.

Dear sister enclose ten Dollars in this Letter to you. we expect to get our pay now in a few days if we dont move.

I dont think of much more to say at present. Patrick is geting Quite well again. he is doing Duty now he sends his best Respects to you and to Richard and familey. James Lowe is well.

I must conclude by sending my love to Richard & Bridget and the children in the Kinds manner and to all inquiring.

no more at Present

But Remains your

Brother Truly untill

Death

John Haverty

to his sister

Hannah Haverty

February the 15 1864

Camp near Brandy station va

Dear sister

I take the pleasure of writting to you these few lines hoping that the will Reach and find you in good health as these lines leaves me at present than God for his mercey to us all.

Dear sister I hope that you will excuse me for not going back to see you before I went away. I would but I did not have time to go up for the boys was all going down to albany to report and I knowed that if I would go up that I would not get back in time. the weather is very warm here at present but the nights are Chilly and cold with a hard frost every night. we left albany on saturday the 6 of this month and got to Brandy

station on wenesday the 10. we are in the same tent now that we was in when we went home.

Patrick is well. he sends his respects to you. he is well. he was in new york two weeks. there was one of the Boys with him in york that told me that Patrick got married while he was in york but denies it him self. he sends his respects Richard and familey all so to James Hurson. Dear sister what you sent By Liut Ingraham to me I got it which I am verry much oblidge to you for. Give my best Respects Richard and Bridget and the children in the Kinds manners. I must now conclude by sending my love to you in the Kinds manner. I remain your loving Brother untill Death John Haverty

Please write soon

send your letter to John Haverty

Co A 93 Regt NYSV Head Quarters

army of the Potomac

Washington DC

Camp near Brandy station

April the 18[?] 1864

Dear sister

*[this letter is difficult to read due to fading and illegible writing]*

I [illegible] tak [illegible] my few [illegible] hand to right a few lines to you to let you [illegible] that I am well and i hope you as the same. I would have rote afore but i was awaiting for my pay and i have not got my pay yet. the weather is cold and rainey and Cold and very windy. I am well and fine. Well and as ?uff on a hare I think we shal move very some and i Care in at [illegible sentence] for I have rather move and are

ready the flares and drive the rebels from that strong hold. The soldiers are glad of this met Commander Cheaf Ihop this [illegible] Ware will end this summer and then I can come home and see you and the rest of my friends. the let us all as out of the army and I am glad of that. is all have to close. [illegible] Cant think of more to wright this tyme. But will rite in the next tyme. S good by. Brigate and the family. Wright some. The boys is all here[?]

John Haverty[?]

Co A 93 Regiment

NYSV

April the 21 1864

Brandy Station Virginia

Dear sister I take the pleasure of writting to you these few lines to let you know that I am well and in good health at present hoping that these few lines will reach and find you in the enjoyment of the same blessing. Dear sister I enclose the some of \$40 dollars in this letter to you. you spoke about me not writing to you oftener I have written to you and has got no answers from them yet Dear sister I have to inform you that our Regt is relieved from head Quarters and we are to Report to the second Corps to morrow so I guess that we will have some fighting to do this summer for to Pay for the good times

that we have had for the time past. I have not got much more to say this time. Patrick is well he sends his best respects to you so I must conclude by sending you my love and best Respects. no more at present.

But remains your loving Brother untill death John Haverty

Please write soon

Direct your letter to

John Haverty Co A 93 Regt

N.Y.S. vols

Washington DC

Camp Neer Brandy Station Va

April 25<sup>th</sup> 1864

Dear and loving Sister I is with the outmost pleasure that I set my self down to answer your kind and welcomed letter which arrived in camp last evening bringing to me the tidings that you are well and in good health as this leaves me at present.

Dear Sister I was out this morning on brigade inspection we do know the minate that we will move from now we are under marching orders now. so I do not know when I can write a gain. I will send you \$20 in this letter Dear sister it is just like the month June here now the trees are all in blossom. i think by the next letter you get from me that i will close to richmond. it loocks just like it now. well Dear sister i will close by saying good by for a while but I hope not for ever. give my love to bridget and richard and keep a little for your self. this is from your brother John Haverty

Direct as be fore

write soon