

Beaufort S. C. Nov 19/63

Dear Cousin

Your letter dated Nov 3rd is recd.. and contents noticed. I am glad to hear that Grand Ma's health is better. than when you last wrote. and that Theodore is rising in the world. I do not remember what I told you about Cousin Hannah. you say you do, please "jog" my memory a litter will you: I know that we all attended Dr. Beechers lecture one evening when I was there. Ask her if she thinks it looks any better than I did at that time. Myra has not answered my letter. but had better if she wants another. You seem to imagine that I will find fault with your letters. and ask me to excuse what you call your "silly letter." now the only time I could see . that was in any way silly. was your apology and that was not so in the strict sence [sic] of the term "silly." It is only my hatred of apologies that causes me to call it so. I hope you will leave them out after this. All the fault I have found with your letters, is that they do not come often enough. I hope you are not getting tired of the correspondence: are you!

We had another "Grand review" day before yesterday. I managed to keep out of the way of the horses this time. Yesterday we had a general inspection. preparatory to getting paid off. To day if nothing happens we will get the "green backs." Our Regt has received nearly two hundred "Conscripts" . 23 of which have been sent to Co. G. of which I happen to be a member. so I shall have more work to do now. but no matter. I guess I can stand it. You are quite right in supposing that I fare as well here as anywhere. We fare better. than we did in any other department. and I am so well satisfied. that. I hope we can stay here during out term of service. The results from the elections are very incouraging [sic]. especially the returns from New York State. Your confounded "Copperhead" Governor is dead, dead, dead politically. and I am glad of it. I hope that the downfall of the Copperheads will be the death blow to the rebellion for I have seen enough of war. and would like to become a citizen once more. and "settle down" for life even if I had to live and die. an old Bachelor.

Wishing you all a "Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year" I remain as ever Your Affectionate  
Cousin Milton