

Willsons W Warfe  
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Dear Mother

It is with pleasure that I  
sit down to answer your  
kind letter which I received  
last night it found me  
well and I hope this will  
find you the same we are  
having good times here and  
we live first rate now I will  
tell you what we have to  
eat fresh beef pork bacon  
bean soup rice and potatoes  
soup rice and molasses dried  
apples pickel onions <sup>new</sup> potatoes  
cabbage coffee tea and hard  
tack who would not be  
a soldier the prospect looks

pretty fair for us to come  
home for good this fall but  
I dont want to come hurra  
with out fighting the rebs  
but I guess I shall have  
to I should like to see  
what the 16<sup>th</sup> weighty can  
do it is not only about  
Twenty two or three hundred  
strong our company only  
muster one hundred and  
seventy odd there has never  
ben a regiment that has done  
the duty that we have done  
we have done the duty of  
four infantry regiments  
but enough a bout that  
you may tell seth that  
he can think it hard or not  
Just as he is a mind to  
I shant write to him

until he writes to me  
I wrote to him in march  
and have not had any  
answer from him yet so  
you see I am not to bla-  
me write when you have  
heard from Christopher and  
Theodore and where they are  
and their directions I have  
written to am I have not  
seen the boys but I suppo-  
se they have seen some hard  
fighting I dont know how  
long we shall stay here but  
I hope not long I dont  
know of any thing more  
to write this time is  
good by from your son

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write soon