

Order Creek <sup>of Pa</sup>  
October <sup>27</sup> 1864

Dear Mother

I now take my pen in hand  
to answer the long looked for  
letter which i recieved last evening  
and was very glad to hear from  
you once more) but was sorry to hear  
that you had been sick i had  
almost given up of ever hearing  
from you it is the first that  
i have heard since i left the  
hospital i have wrote quite a  
number of letters to you since  
I got back to my regt it is  
Raining to day so i havnt got much  
to do only to wite well i wrote  
the other day & gave a description  
what I hope you saw in on the  
morning of the 19 so there  
will be no use of my &

Saying any thing more  
About the fight all i have  
To say is that P<sup>r</sup> H<sup>e</sup> Sherden  
is a brick 33

Well Now you  
Wanted to know what it was  
best for you to do this winter  
well Mother i hardly know  
How to answer that question  
But you must do what you  
think is the best for you i dont  
meant you to stay there at home  
alone and you wanted to know  
What i think about coming home  
On a purlough well i will  
tell you i think if there is  
any chance i will be the first  
one that will get a purlough  
but you need not make any  
Calculations on my coming for  
I thought that i would get  
home las winter but i got  
Sliped up on it and it may be so

~~This~~ This time I  
Expect my set will  
be home before a great while  
he has lost one of his fingers  
Now if he comes home i will  
have him come and see you and  
you can talk to him and dont  
be afraid to talk Dutch to  
him and see if he wont help  
get me out of this but dont  
let him know that i know  
any thing about it for i dont  
dare a word about it and i

Oh that you could  
Send them to me  
dont send them until  
i send \$ for them well

Dear mother i dont  
think of any thing

more at present only  
write soon and dont  
wait so long

Yours from your

want a good pair of gloves  
Can you get into winter quarters