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My Dear Brother

Your Uncle

welcome favour come to hand in due time  
it found us all well and glad to hear from  
you. Mother is at Ballston yet she is going  
home Tuesday I believe & shall go up and  
stay two weeks with her we had that surprise  
party Friday night there were twenty-  
of " in a body we had a first rate time  
wish you had been here to went with  
us we did not get home till day light  
had a splendid supper Miss and Maria  
were there. Daniel Latham is not very smart  
yet they had a donation for him Friday  
night he got about Forty dollars for him  
that will help them a good deal  
the next day after you went away I  
went to the office and asked if there was  
any thing for Sally. P. Bill and they  
handed me a couple of papers from  
the War department and I said to

Mother here is lets discharge and they  
had been in the office a week or more  
I took them and run in to Serings  
to know what to do and what was my  
surprise and disappointment on calling  
them open to read the interest of the  
service will not admit of your  
discharge I was so mad I could say  
nothing but took the papers and walked  
off thinking awfull wicked things that  
I durst not say Serings said never  
mind he has not got long to stay and  
I hope he will be sick in the hospital  
all the time. I'm glad you ar promoted  
if it will be better for you

Curtis and Mary send there love to  
you Mother got a letter from Fred last  
week he is well thinks the war is most  
plaid out. I think he will have a chance  
to stay his time out if he lives  
I had a letter from christopher last  
week he is well was not in the last

right - Mary Jane was very sorry  
that she did not get home in time  
to see you it is raining here to day the first  
this winter and the snow has settled some  
Johny has gone to Sabbath School he  
has got a Valentine to send you so I  
will wait till he comes home to finish  
this and see what he has got to say  
Johny has come home and now I will  
finish my letter here is the Valentine with  
his love he wants to know if that is the  
way you take your soap good by write soon  
from your affectionate  
Sister Sally Ann Nickerbocker  
To Brother Sargent Seth Hill

On Duty at Bul  
Bradys Head Quarter  
And it Board Sette  
of  
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Mon the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1805