

Office Provost Marshal
Augusta Geo. Aug. 19th 1865.

Dear Harry –

Yours of the 7th inst. is just at hand. I am glad to hear that all at home are in good health & hope Herman may soon get quite fat again.

I am sorry & yet glad to hear that you are about going west. Sorry because I shall miss you as much at home & glad because you have finally gotten something to help along your marriage. I so wish I were at home to accompany you. I hope your business at home will be left in good hands for I think nearly every thing depends on that. I see no chance of getting out of the army before Nov. 1st without I resign & that I do not intend to do. Our Regt. was paid last week & had a grand drunk. They have now sobered down & are going along quietly.

I sent home by Mr. Miles of R.P& Co. (\$100.) one hundred dollars. I also took up a draft in his favor drawn by me for (\$50) Fifty Dollars. He still has the draft in his possession having been unable to find it when he left. It is all right. Miles is one of the best fellows I have met in a good while. He is as honest as the sun, & R.P& Co. could not have a better traveller. He made considerable money for them while here & they trusted him with large sums of money. I shall press the acquaintance when I get home.

I am sorry that you did not see Miss. W. or her sister while they were in New York. I am sure you would have been pleased with them. I do not see what reason you have it to suppose my heart was lost in their case although it might have been!! The young lady is but 17 & I think I can wait two or three years before I make up my mind. But in the mean time she may go off with some one else!!! How the ? I am sorry you could not find out who that letter was for. Had you known you might have been surprised. I am sorry to say I have no permission to write to Sally & have not dared to commit such a breach of etiquette. I let Ella do all my ----- in that quarter. Do you think she is a good hand? Mary DeLamater works for me in one quarter Louie Pugh in another, Ella in another & whether they have any designs against a Boonton young lady I cannot say. Now I go on my own hook & have struck out boldly. The young lady is North – Northern born & every thing that is lovely!!!!!!! There is a N.Y. young lady down here whose mother I think would like to see her "well" married. Shall I pitch in?

I hear that Edward has arrived home in safety. I am glad of it for I know he will relieve Pa of a good deal of work. I hope he continues in good health. I am very much obliged to you for your trouble in regard to my pin. I hope it will be along in a day or so as I want to splurge around among the rest of the boys as big as they are.

I hope you will have a pleasant trip to Nevada & make plenty of money. My only hopes are for your future success & welfare. The dearest wish of my heart is to see you & Gussie married & settled in life. I hope she is quite well. Remember me when you next see her & tell her I hope soon to see her myself.

Give my love to all the folks. That you may enjoy health & happiness is the earnest prayer

Of Your Affectionate Bro.
Frank

Please tell Pa about the money I sent by Mr. Miles.

Direct "Via Nashville"

After you go to Nevada you had better direct your letters home as I will be sure & get them there. I enclose a letter for Mr. White & the one you enclosed to me.