

Morganza La June 24 /64

Dear Father

I have as yet received no letter from you since yours of the 4<sup>th</sup> –

We returned safely from our up river expedition on the night of the 22d after being two days & two nights aboard the boat. We embarked on the night of the 19<sup>th</sup> inst. our regiment & the 13<sup>th</sup> C.V. being put on the "Ohio Belle," & after a long delay in getting the rest of the troops embarked got started by 3 o'clock next morning. We numbered about 5000 infantry 500 cavalry & 4 pieces artillery. We steamed slowly along 'til we arrived at Tunica bend where we halted & the cavalry & part of the infantry landed. The Cavalry penetrated the country for 15 miles & came across 15 guerillas of whom three were taken prisoners. Just after our Cavalry got out, 4 or 5 rebs. came in their rear & set fire to a bridge about a mile from the infantry, who fortunately discovered it & put out the fire. The troops were reembarked at sundown & we then started for Fort Adams Miss. where we arrived early next morning. The troops all disembarked & while the cavalry scouted the infantry lay in the woods along shore. The cavalry returned in the afternoon having discovered nothing. The country at this point was the most beautiful I have yet seen. There was a high hill from the top of which you could see the country for 50 miles around. I did not have the pleasure of ascending the hill as I was flat on my back, having had an attack of fever the day before. We started for home that night & got back to Morganza by 11 P.M. the same night. I was quite sick the next day, & the Dr. told me if I had had to endure a little more fatigue I should have had the intermittent fever. As it was I had a narrow escape being hardly able to move for three days. I am now nearly entirely well.

The weather is getting very warm & oppressive. Genl. Grover has been relieved from command of our Division & Genl. McGinnis takes his place. Genl. Emory has also been relieved from command of the Corps & I understand Genl. Reynolds is to take command.

Tell the folks I will write to them all as soon as I get a little stronger. Love to all.

I remain  
Your Affectionate Son  
Frank