Aug.16th 1865.

Dear father -

I have not had a letter from you for some time nor in fact from any of the home folks. I am quite well & enjoying very good health.

There is nothing of interest to write & consequently my letter will be short.

I took up my draft in favor of G. L. Miles yesterday. I also send you by him one hundred dollars (\$100). I do not know how my account stands with you but think that I will have \$100 to my credit. I should send more & would do so but am afraid that I will not be paid again till I leave service which I hope will be very soon. There is talk yet of our going home & since the Regt. has been paid the men seem more contented.

I am kept very busy in the Office now having but little spare time to myself.

The bearer of this Mr. Miles is as fine a young fellow & as energetic as any I have ever seen. He has been with me for nearly a month living & messing together, for whenever I meet a New Yorker if he is only a Gentleman I give him a hearty welcome.

I suppose Edward is at home before this. Tell him I will write in a day or two.

I hope the folks are all well & enjoying themselves. Give my love to all. Hoping soon to hear from you I remain

Your Affectionate Son Frank.