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Dear Nettie

Not having heard from you for some time, & I wishing to get a letter of some kind from somebody, I take the opportunity of a few spare moments to write a few lines. I am & have been extremely busy with my company accounts, which employ every moment I have or I should have written to you before.

Edward is back again with us. He said he received a letter from Pa in which Pa said something about not caring to have me resign. If this is his feeling I will stay my three years out & may be more if any thing turns up. Edward would not accept my resignation any way & puts every thing in my way to stop me from resigning. We are having fewer officers every day. We have now only four Captains in the regiment & may not have as many as that in a week. For some reason the officers all seem anxious to get home with very few exceptions.

We are gradually getting acquainted around through the village, so that our life is not quite as dull as it would be if we were on a campaign. We will probably be here 'till next march, when in all probability we will go on some expedition or another.

As far as news is concerned we are at a stand still, never having any whatever, except from N.Y. papers & they are dull enough at present.

Write to me as often as you can for I feel rather lonely here without any one to talk with, like I did with Harry, & when a mail comes & our adjutant says "no letters for Lieut. Tiemann" I feel worse still, as a letter is now the only thing which connects me with home.

Yours with love

Frank