

Monday July 25 /64

Camp Between Decatur & Atlanta
about 2 1/2 miles from Atlanta
Georgia

Dear Brother once more
I take my pen to write a
few lines to you I received
your letter about two days ago
with five stamps in it and
two papers which I am very
glad to get we had a hard
fight on the 22 of this month
but you will see the news
in the paper they tryed to com
a flank move on us but they
did not succeed so well as
they expected but they killed
good many of our men but I thi
nk we killed two there one
but we lost a brave General
in McPherson Gen Sherman
sorely grieved when he died he

he was shot through the
Bowels we got old Hardee that
is some consolation he was wounded
an had his arm taken off in
the 96 Corps Hospital this was
the hardest fighting that I ever
saw the Rebs give there men
Whiskey mix with gunpowder
they fought desperate I thought
t for a few minutes that the
17 Corps was going up but
the 2 Division of our Corps
was ordered up up to there
support then the Rebels had
to get our Regiment came
up on the Courbe quick up
the hill thair the Rebs was abou
at twenty or thirty rods of and
our men gave yell and charge
on them the Rebels skedaddled
as fast as legs would let them
old Sweeney was close by when
the 52 made the charge he

spoke up so some of our men
could hear the Rebs will catch
a hornets nest now and they
did chetchet right in there
backs but we have lost in
this fight a good many from
the 17 Corps our Regiment is the
by so far it has not lost our
a dozen men since we left
Chattanooga it seems by your
letter that it is hard getting
along as regards provisions to
live on I dont know when
I am a going to get my pay
from government I suppose that
you are in need of some
money I will give you and
order so that you can draw your
pay on that note from Bedington
your pay is most 62 Dollars and there
was about five Dollars due me
after paying for the lot may take
that and what more is due you

I will send when I am paid
of and you may destroy the note
I will now close for I have not
been well for a few days I do not
know as you will be able to read
what I have wrote for I have to
write on my lap in closed
you will find an order to draw
60 dollars from Coddington
and ~~the~~ if you can indorse
it on my note

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