

Head Quarters, 1st Brigade Prov. Div.
Army of the Tennessee
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Dear Friend:

Having waited some days quite patiently for some news from home, and being disappointed so far I thought I would write you a few lines this quiet Sunday morning, and hope when this reaches its destination it will find you and all the friends as it leaves me here. We are in the best of health and spirits and expecting to see home and friends in a few short (though they seem long) days as we have received orders to be mustered out immediately, and placed en-route home, so you may look out for some of "Hancock's Flat Foots" not your way soon, I think one week from now will find us in Madison Wis. And all the officers and men that can spare a few are working busily as bees, on our "Mustering out Rolls". The gallant old 6th Wis. Regiment are coming with us. Well I have been over the river twice in the past week to see Orlando, and am happy to say he is

improving finely, and will be able, in a few days to
come home. he is in fine spirits and and is in a
good place where he has the best of care, and everything
he wishes for. The 12th 17th 16th and 18th Wis Regiments
are also coming in a few days. Well I have been hard
at work ever since we came here in the A. A. A. Genl's
office at Brigade Hq. Q. R. but thank goodness I have
caught up and will now have an easy time as
long as I remain in this shore. We have our camp
in a very pleasant situation, opposite the Water
Works of Louisville Ky, on a high bank and overlook-
ing the Ohio River where Steamboats pass up
and down hourly. It is a splendid place, and if
I were not soldiering I think I would remain here
for a spell. But I am looking forward with much
anxiety to the time when I can scratch a free head.
O I like to forget to tell I have been to two Sciences
since I came here, and and had very good times
considering circumstances. We have been having some
of the warmest weather I ever experienced, for the past
ten days yesterday the thermometer stood 97 in the shade.
The month passed off quietly here no public demonstrations

being made I went to town and then out in the
country to a Dance and picnic, and to a dance in
the evening in the town. Last evening two officers of
the 16th Mich. Vet. Vol. Infy, was badly whipped by some
high Privates, and can not see much of anything today.
They are in the 2^d Bn of our Division, and the men
say there is some more shoulder straps in their Regt.
that will be tanned and feathered when they get home.
They leave for home tomorrow morning. This was
done for some misusage the men had received by the
officers when they were soldiers. they are now mustered
out. "How are your shoulder straps?" Well I must come
to a close as I have already wrote more than I intended
when I commenced. Let me hear from you soon
(Yours)

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