

Head Quarters 18th N.Y. Cav,
Phibodaux La Dec. 15th 1864

Dear Cousin

Yours was recieved and
I was glad to hear from you and to
hear you were all well. I have been
back on furlough and just came back
on the 10th and happy to find a
letter at camp when I got there
unexpectedly to me. I am well at
present. Hoping these few lines may
find you the same. I had a
very nice time while on furlough
but was very sick for some time
after I got home. Edward Bullock
died while I was home and I was
sorry to hear of his death and suppo-
se you was to too. I saw sis. and
aunt. Jane while I was home.
we have splendid quarters and beautiful
weather just about. Cold enough to keep
a nice blazing fire and plenty of

exercise to cut wood not much duty
the duty is light since old abel
is elected. We can see a difference
all ready. I suppose you saw the speech
that old Butler made in Philadelphia
to the soldiers. He said we would not
long word that this war would be ended
inside of nine months either one way
or the other. He is Secretary of war. I
suppose you know he has given the
reb 30 days to come in the union again
and if they don't you will hear some
fun. what he says he means. He is
not like old Stanton. He is altogether
a different man.

New Jersey is going to put Little Mac.
in as W. S. Webster there is just we
want him and we will warm his
jacket. Then you can just bet he won't
stand no show then and another thing
we have got a good governor of the
State of New York. a soldiers friend

that is the kind of a man we have
been long waiting for and at last
have got him. you will hear some
thing one of these days about him.
He is the man gave us sixteen dolls
a month. There is not a democrat
in our regiment at the present time
and him hundred strong at that.
what do you think of that?

this is all at present. I am very
sleepy. I can't off guard this
morning. Dog and Bye.

My kind regards to all the
fakes. Truly Your affectionate Cousin
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