

write me O D all the
news give my Respects-
to all I never enjoyed
Better Health in my
life arrin is well we
have not Ben Sick a Day
Since we left - Wis O D you
have what you call Hot wether
in Wis that is no name for it
here But Wisconsin men can
stand any thing for this
Country Honors
Direct your Letter to
Washington Hth Regt
Wisconsin Vol in Care of
Colonel H E Paine

Respectfully yours

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Old & Respected Friend
it is with the ~~greatest~~
greatest pleasure I take
this opportunity of
writing a few lines to
an old & true friend
& my self are lying under the shade
talking over our past times it
makes us home sick where we think
of old Calumet & the numerous friends
we have left behind to think of
us we are now at the Relay House
guarding the Rail Road on the
Junction one Road leading to Harper
Ferry the other to Washington how
long we will stay here I cannot
tell we are anxious to be let on &
Knock Hell out of them we will
if we get the chance as we run
as retreat is not our motto to
fight orrin & myself are chosen

as pickets seven are chosen out-
of each Company to act as pickets
or Scouts we have a chance to
roam where we please I pity the
peach orchards they are very plenty
about here I am Bound to
have a Peeps Flag Before I leave
this place as Blue some of them
you cannot form any idea the large
Body of troops that are passing
here Night & Day the Cars pass every
few minutes I do not think they
will have any fight until next
month as they have the hottest
weather this month when the
Northern troops get at them again
they will suffer it will not be a
Bill Run affair the manner
in they used our Wounded Soldiers
& Sick in the Hospital is enough
to make every patriots Blood
Boil with rage Bayoneted the Dead

& Dying Fired Shot & Shell
in to the Hospital that is a
Sample of Boston Southern
Chivalry O.D if there is a man
in the North more particular in
old Calumet County that will
talk a word in there favours
his neck ought to be roped
if I get a chance at one of
these Southern Demons he
falls same cant you come
down & see us you know we
are in a Country where they
get Oysters By the Bushel
give my ^{will} respects to Lyman
& say we take ours Rare I
think orrin & myself will get
a furlough this fall & come
up & see you all I have sent
papers to Lyman Tom & a number
of the rest of the Boys did they
get them