

Camp near Cedar Creek
Oct 22, 1864

Dear Brother,

We have had one terrible fight and glorious victory. I was in command of the Regt. We suffered terribly, our loss is 171-88 killed, 93 wounded and 40 missing. Co. C lost the most. They fought to the death. Oyster is wounded. Piers, Bartlow, Kiehl, Kaiser, Gardner, Will & Jas. Brown are killed. Capt. Frank, Capt. Hebler, Corp. Walters, Pointer, Colvin, O'Rourke, Given, Green, Linken, H. Keiser, Michaels, Blain, Weikle, Rodriguez, Grubb and Lambert were wounded. Fry, Shiffen, Geo & John Jas. Smith, Berger are missing. The wounded will all recover, I think.

Col. Good has been mustered out and I have requested Col. Thomas to Commission me as Colonel. Hurry it up as I want the thing here speedily. Hendricks is all right. I have been publicly complimented by Gen. McMillan & Col. Thomas' Division & Brigade Commanders for the way I fought [unreadable] Brigade.

I will give you full particulars in a few days.

Your Bro,

Shindel