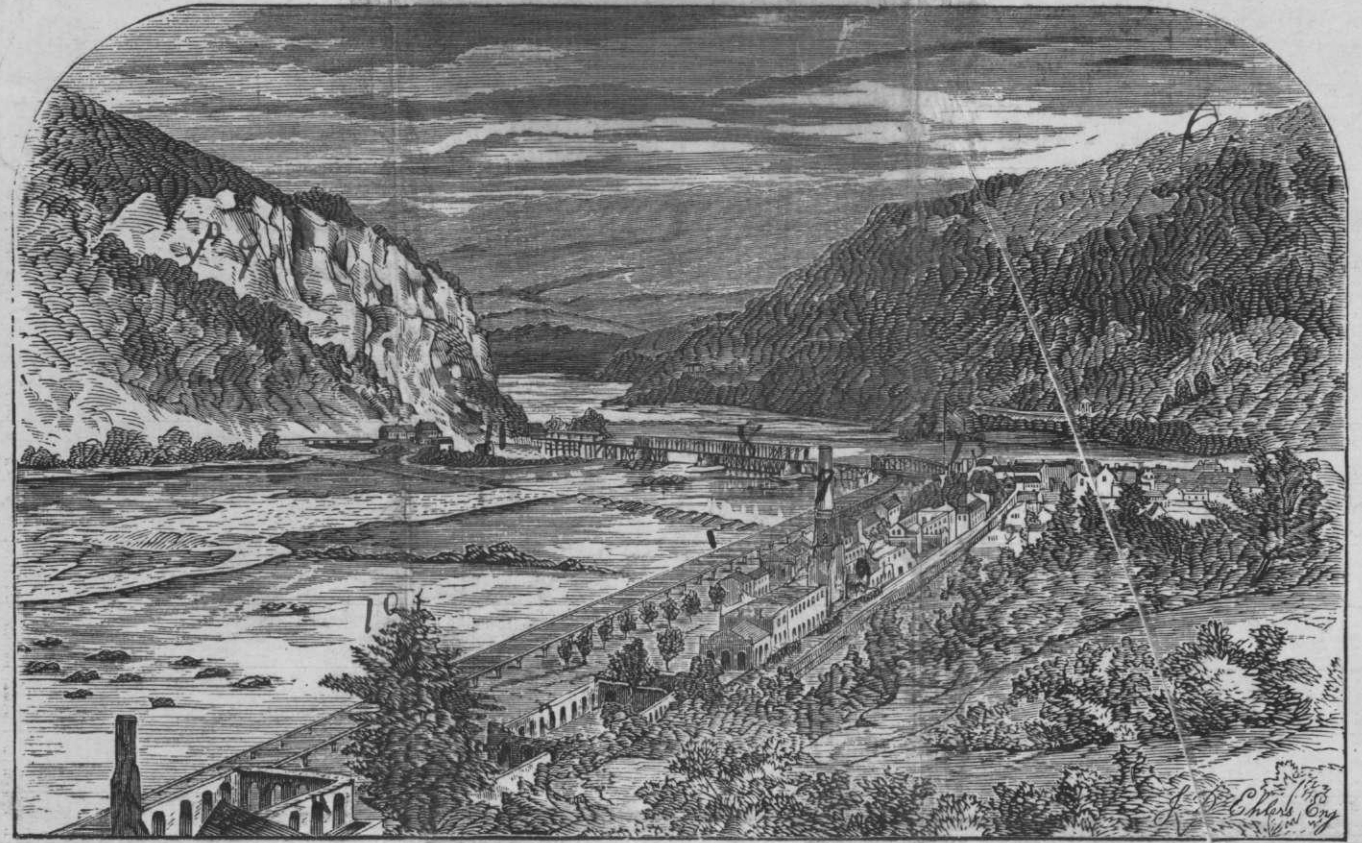


I hope you like as before.
 and I may before the first of July, I may
 have the good luck to get them before.
 Our Assistant Quartermaster is ~~an~~ a very
 A rough man, he has made a bed, that
 we will all be home by the first of July,
 and it has been accepted, I will try to explain
 this picture. No 1 is the pontoon bridge, and
 Nos 2, 3, 4 are the government buildings. 3, 4,
 are burnt down. The rest are used as stores
 houses for U. S. goods. here are immense
 number of old muskets that were made
 by the government workmen, and were burnt
 by the Superintendent, Mr. Jones to save them
 from the hands of the rebels. No 5 is the
 Provost Marshall's head quarters. No 6 is Loudon
 and Bolivar heights. No 7 is the tower. No 8
 is the railroad bridge. No 9 is Maryland hei-
 ghts, where we are encamp. No 10 is the gravel
 Potomac. No 11 is the way they go to Sandy
 Hook. No 12 is the Hospital. No 13 is where
 the General Kelly's head quarters. This being
 not a very good picture, you must excuse
 me for any further description. but I must
 close, give my love to all my friends, and
 to the Sunday School. Tell Mr. Blumfeld to
 write, write as soon
 as possible. but I
 must close. Hence
 the writing. for the
 terminations are making a great



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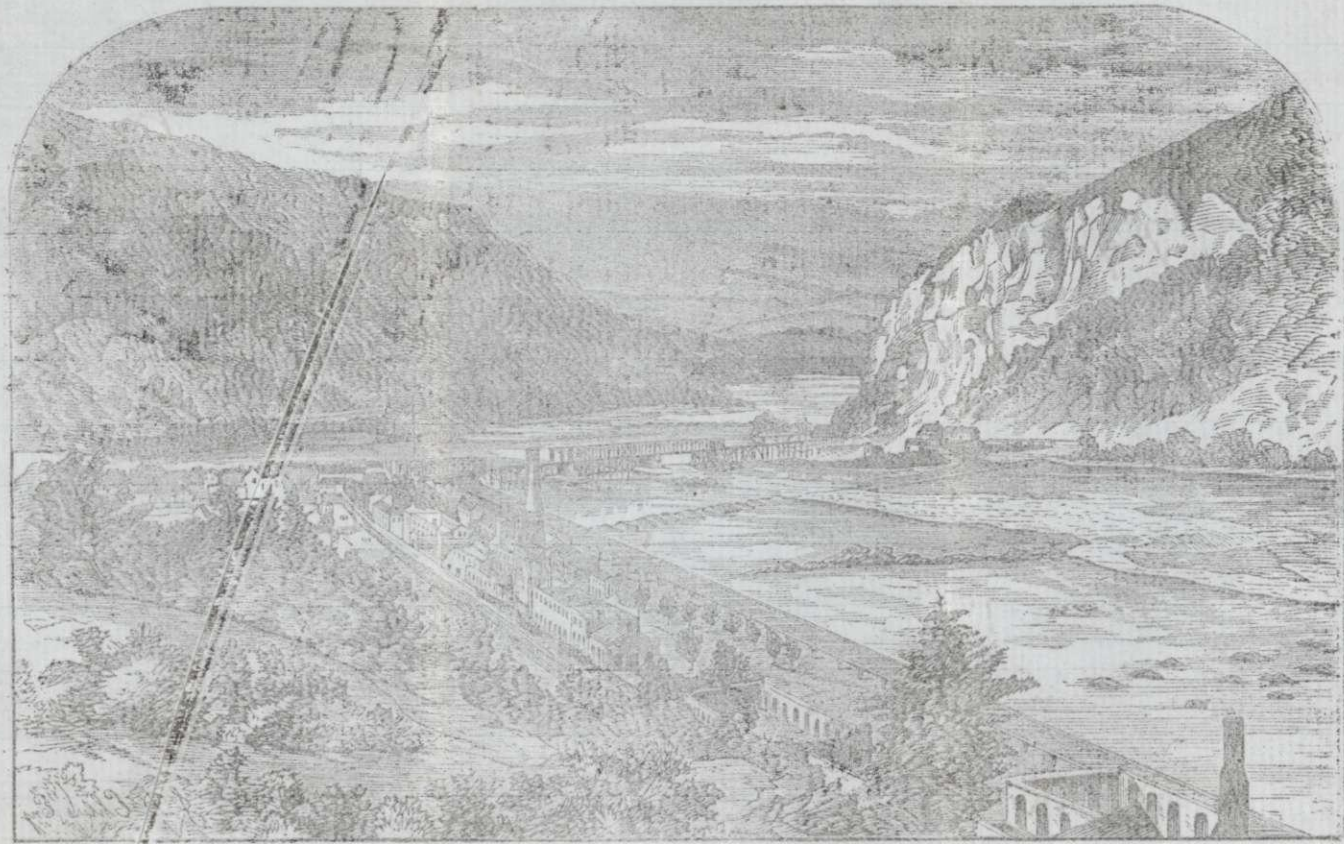
View of Harper's Ferry, together with the Maryland and Virginia Heights.

Camp Haight.

Maryland Heights,
Ado Feb. 21st 1863,

Dear Teacher,

I received yours
of the 16th instant, and I can tell you I
was much rejoiced to hear from you. It brought
new life, and gave me fresh vigor, to go on in
the way, that I have chosen for three years,
but I do not think that we will be kept
much longer than the first of July, but let
things go as they will. I am pretty well
at the present time, only having a slight



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old. You will see by this letter that we have again, been in the move, and I do think that for the little time that we have been out, we have done more guard duty, and made more moves than any other Regiment in the field. We have a very pleasant camp here, and we are trying to make it more comfortable every day, and our tent is so fix. that we can sleep very good, it is stockaded, all around it. the holes being stopp'd up with mud, so that keep out all the air, and now I can tell you, I would rather be here, than

at a good many places. But home is the only place, that a man can find comfort in. When I enlisted, I had a big heart, full of Patriotism, but since then, I have heard, and read so much about the war, how it is carried on, that it has made me so disgusted. About all the Patriotism that I had, is entirely gone, and the only thing that will fetch it back, is for Uncle Sam to pay us, and to have a great victory, for the confidence that the people had in the government. But ~~that~~ ~~they~~ is entirely lost, when the United States treasury notes is refused by the General line of stores, then is the time that we are tired of this kind of business. To day we have been very busy fixing up the street, and to morrow we will have a flagg presented to us from Putnam County, and I can tell you it will be a grand affair, although it will make the soldiers tired. Our street is looked like a flower garden, there have been seed out on each side, and in front of the Captains tent, we are the color company, so it behooves us to keep things look- ing as nice as possible; the brasses at Dress Blue would almost dazzle your eyes, for the look so bright. I would like to see you all.