

13 Dec Wash^{tn} winter I have been driven
by necessity to discharge the large amount of
clothing around them might probably I want
of some would have disbanded the whole army
if I had not adopted this expedient. for the relief
of the soldiers for the war

" we are so accustomed to want that we dare
not flatter ourselves with relief) ~~29 soldiers~~
~~men~~

15 Dec H. C. making another mistake
and said to be to receive corn at
intention of Energy to push their families
thru winter in the most vigorous manner
But Gen. who is to send a powerful regiment
with all possible dispatch

Dec 20. Disbanded of 2^d Divison & Corps
but more especially the newal supernumerary. the
part of the army which were around. we have
been compelled to spend an immense amount
of money in providing for the journey of it and
beginning to suffer to make it a decision as to
our part. Latterly we have been obliged to incur
the ^{the} cost of a succession of detachments from the army
& N.G. in aid of Genl. which are great weakness
in the political disorganization of a large part of an army
but I am of opinion to convert them ^{at} the
South a like advantage & have been

Mr Brooks requests the favor
of Mr Irving's Company at
dinner on Thursday. March. 13.
at 5½ O'clock, to meet Mr Everett.

44 Bond St.
March. 6.