Hart Island Oct 8th

Dear Mother

I received your kind and welcome letter of Sept 25 in due season — It found me enjoying comfortable health — I was very glad to hear from home, I have not received any of my government money, and do not know when I may receive it but I presume, I shall not until I am to be sent away. but desiring to get my matters in a closer shape I have ordered Mr N. Bissell Jr to pay you

$50, fifty Dollars, which you will please dispose of as follows — Pay Olive Beasle six dollars — Pay Everett $5, five dollars — pay Alonzo Bartlett seven dollars — and Dellos Bartlett $10, ten dollars — I borrowed ten dollars of Will. bartlett and I made arrangements with him to pay it to his father, please take a receipt of each one except our own folks, — I have money on hand at present — but if I were taken sick I might need more, therefore you may send me ten dollars as soon as you receive this — There will not be any danger but what I will come safe.

A person who expects to live in the army without any expences, finds himself entirely mistaken — If a person only buys but little it costs considerable — everything cost about three times as much here as it does at home — As for my part I have resolved ~~to~~ not to confine myself to scanty allowances if I intend to live while I stay here if it costs my months wages — For if a person does not have plenty to eat he will soon find himself a sick man — P.S. The remainder of the money you may use as you see fit — I which you would have the post —

master send ~~so~~ for the Republican for six months or a year - and then you can send it to me -

Lester Western and his brother - Will Bartlett and several other from Milford left here for their regiment last week. I have not time to write more at present - For it is time for the mail to go out - Remember my address,

Your Son

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