Camp of 11th N. Y. Battery
March 15th 1865

Dear Sister.

Having a few leisure moments I thought I would try and write you a few lines — I wrote to Avery yesterday and stated that I we expected to move — we have not ~~na~~ moved yet but ~~the~~ do no know how soon we may have to move — We are making all of the necessary preparations for a great move — All of the shelters have been secured to the ground and are moving as fast as possible — We have just finished in two guns and

hereafter will have only four guns in our battery — This change will make the duty much lighter — we have been ordered to turn in all surplus clothing — It is ~~very~~ middling dry at present but there is prospects of its raining here within a few hours — There will undoubtedly be an important move here within a ~~few~~ few days unless there should be a severe rain storm to prevent it — I was on guard last night — and I could hear the cars running most of the time — They were bringing up troops and supplies for our army — It is reported here that to day they are a going tare up this new military Rail Road but

I do not place any confidence in this report yet it may be true — We shall evidently move first and — There is considerable excitement in camp on account of this move — You need not feel uneasy on my account for I shall try and look out for my self — I have nothing more to write so I will close hoping to hear from you soon —

I commenced this letter this morning and did not have time to finish it until now, it has rained some during the day but it has now cleared off and there is prospects of having a spell of fair weather — We have turned in all of our surplus

twelve o'clock P.M.

clothing — ~~Each~~ Each man is allowed to carry one extra shirt — one pair of drawers one pair of extra pants — one pair of stockings — one pair of extra pants — one gum-blanket — one wolen blanket these is all he can carry in his knapsack — Men belonging to a battery do not have to carry their knapsack on thier backs — but they generally strap them on the caisson ~~and~~ on the limber of the ~~caisson~~ gun I have not time to write more so I will close hoping I may hear from you soon —

Your affectionate Brother

Geo. C. Barringer

Direct the same as before & excuse mistakes

Yours &c

E. D. B.