

Headquarters 91st N.Y. V.V.

Near Balls Cross road Va.

June 25th 1865.

Dear Friends at home,

I will pen you a few lines to day: informing you of my good health &c [etc.].

Since I wrote you last; things with us have been about the same as previously: All quiet & Ah how hot!

The Boys are well & keeping in the Shade the most of the time; We have not had any rain for some days.

I am full of business as ever at Hd. Qrs. [Headquarters]. & am eating freely: But hope it will play out Soon: All are now full of business, as we have Orders to muster out.

The rolls are begun & we hope to leave Virginia; in the course of a week or so.

Our Regiment is to Rendzous [sic] at Albany when they proceed to our State & will probably be there & on the way a week or such a matter. Consequently you need not look for me in Canadice before the middle of July at best, But as the prospect is favorable now I will be with you Sometime or Sooner.

So you may expect to see me when I come & not before: & if those Chickens are large enough, I will take some for dinner.

I hope you have got the Buckwheat job done. for if it is half as hot there as it is here, you need not expect to see me do much work for my sympathies with nature won't stand the pressure.

You say that the horse trade is all right; I hope to find it so when I get there, for I can't stand it to play Doc Boy any longer. It is played out.

I expect there will be some red tape & military displayed at Albany when the 91st sail in. & will take up some time besides; all of the work to do.

I would like to be at home on the 4th but I had given that up long ago. in fact this is sooner than I had expected. But if the "Buzzard" don't fly away when the prospects are as favorable as now, I shall without doubt be with you on Christmas as least.

I have not heard from you yet & begin to think I shall not, but hope you are all well. & that I will find you so when I make my grand usher, - I want you to have the Stars & Stripes out to the breeze, for I have long fought for it & that is all I expect as a reward.

You need not tell any one that I have any idea of coming home this Summer, for I can let them all know when "Johnny comes marching home."

Tell the folks I am well & am coming home when Uncle Sam can dispense with my services if not sooner.

With this I close. No more till you hear from me again.

Your affectionate Son

AH Tibbals. To

Father, Mother & Sisters