

U. S. Military Academy
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Dear Brother

I have been looking for an answer to my last letter for some time past, but have not received one yet. If you have written, your letter has failed to reach me. I hope you will write as soon as you receive this, and be sure and tell me everything, of interest, that has transpired since you wrote, ^{last} or is likely to transpire before you write again.

We marched out of camp this morning at half past eleven, and I am now comfortably situated in my quarters, in the A. Co. barracks. I should have very pleasantly this winter if the bed-bugs in my room were not quite so numerous, and of a medium size, instead of being whippers. I expect I shall suffer to night as the few I have seen crawling about the wall, look rather lank, but not having had anything to eat for ten weeks. I am really glad that we have got out of camp, for I had begun to get tired of camp life. I enjoyed the encampment very much, however, particularly the parties, which have been very well attended. I have made the acquaintance of quite a number of very pretty young

ladies, with several of whom I fell desperately in love, but I think I am just about as well prepared to study, as I would have been if I had not fallen in love with any of them, for I made it a point to forget them as soon as they had gone, and now that I am in barracks, I shall devote my time to my studies, and not think of the ladies at all.

Will Corning called to see me a few weeks since, I was right glad to see him I assure you, he told me all the Newark & Hoboken news. Mr N B Hagg has also been here. I called upon him at the Hotel, and did every thing in my power to make his short stay agreeable. He told me that Geo Wilson & Dell Holmes were going to be married about the first of Sep. and that they intend to come east for their wedding tour.

We commence our studies on ~~monday~~ Monday. I shall be in the second section in every study, and I intend to try and remain there. I have got along very well so far, as far as demerit is concerned, I do not think I have any, if I have, I think I can safely say that I have not more than fair, which I think is doing extremely well for a first-clap encampment. I do not intend to get any more demerit this year than I can help.

The furlough-clap has returned, Mr Hunter says that he spent a week in Newark, and that he took tea at our house. You must not take him as a fair sample of the Cadets, for if you do, I fear you would not have a very exalted opinion of the corps of Cadets. He is called by his classmates, "Right Oblique" owing to ~~his~~ an account of his form, and a certain peculiarity

in his walk, which looks very much like the oblique step
as taught in the Infantry Drill

It is now some time after taps and
my candle is very nearly burned out, so I will have
to stop writing for the present - if I have time I
will write some more in the morning

Give my love to all our family

Truly your brother

Chas H. Moore