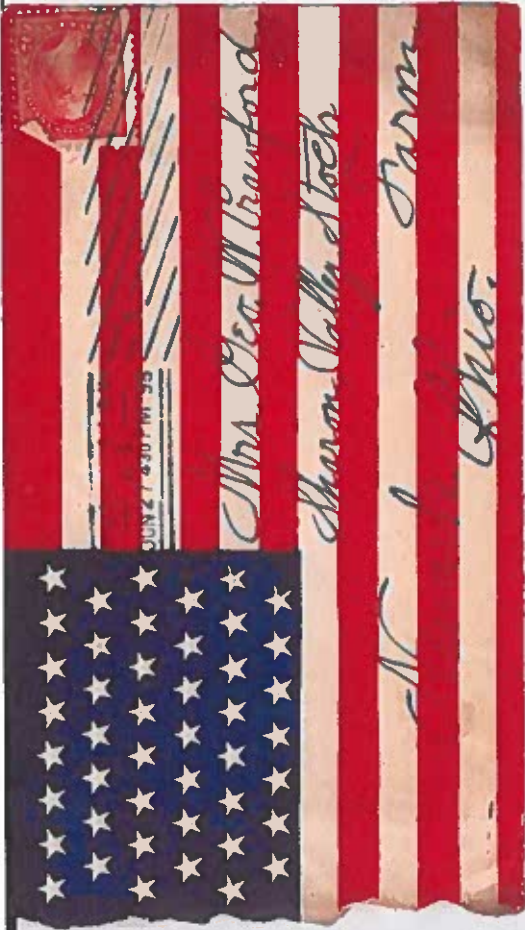




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Mrs. Geo. W. Crawford

Sharon Valley School

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Ohio

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Camp Cedar, Sunday, 26th 1898.
Dear Friend

Mrs. Crawford I received
your letter this afternoon
and was glad to hear from
you. And that you are all
well. I am very well at
present, and am not complaining
I was in Washington, D.C.
and had a very nice time
and got home yesterday evening
just in time before I had
to go on the first train we have
had for two weeks. It did
rain and the wind blew
awful for while but it not

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last very long. And it is very cool today and not dusty like it is in the summer. But that won't last long after we get acclimating to the climate and will be as comfortable as ever. Blizzard is now put under arrest for not running her men on the march by the for I won not by Major O'Hildrean was in the paper. And the Colonel put Brown under arrest and Blizzard was released. Our men are over Court material at all now. One knows anything about this for it was not put in the paper. And every thing is all right. No area talking about sending our back to Columbus to camp

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in the barracks but I don't know what they will do with us they won't send us north that is one thing sure for I don't believe our Colonel has a pull like the rest of them and our regiment will have war with our self. And the other two regiments in our brigade will go to the Capital in their States and they are all wishing about it. I will be sent to this letter. Come to hand you will be a cutting boy and have your self to cut. The heat and day is all cut here. I suppose they will be threshing before long.

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You ought to see the nice
flock of geese. Got here
the big ones. Carried over
and we nice and sweet.
and big. In a raspberry till
you don't rest. and we
get all the milk we want
to drink if we pay for it.
They farmers here all have
bought as big as you, and
little house about one story
and a half, and even for under
her from eight to twenty
cows. I like in no fine
houses as they are at home.

You ought to see the well
people of Washington for they
have what we call color at
home but I don't say as
the bunnies looking color
we ought to see them their
ore. I don't say as has can be
and have their tail cut very
short. And even though
don't mount to, very much.
I don't say as you. I don't
hear it is a bad a set them
or any if they seem it and they
would be in at all.
Some of the very men to head
a sham bottle I see as

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and then and a big time
and some of them got over
heated and had to be sent
to the hospital. Two of our
men were away and went
to town and when they got
back they had a tract before
the field court Natural and
one got ten days hard labor
and ten dollar fine and
the other got three days
hard labor and three dollars
fine and you can see what
a fellow gets if he don't obey.
One of the boys in the Indiana
regiment was put a saw-
horse and had to sit their
for six days for running
away once after he was there
that long he was taking

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off and had one half hour
rest and was going to put
him back again but he
was so weak that he could
not stay on and he Captain
was just under arrest and
he will be sent to the
They last letter I wrote
you carry just got one
after I mailed it and said
it is all right and in good
health and all right.
I have seen Blair and
him in my life before
and who ever said that so
told you a story. And who
ever it ever know more
about him than the do of them
selves and farther more
it is not true

Well, I just stop writing
for this time as I'm a
getting drowsy and looks like
it's time to go to bed. I'm
sorry. Give my regards to
the Graham's tell them to
write, and to all the rest of
the folks and tell Bert
to write to me so good
night now

Yours
Respectively

Deborah
Crossed writing.



WASHINGTON, D.C.
JUL 10 PM 98



CAMP ALGER,
Falls Church, Va.
Co G 7th Regt.
Ohio U.S. Vols.
LT. Q. C. CRAWFORD

Col. Geo. W. Crawford
Shaw Valley Stock Farm
Newark
Ohio.





CAMP ALGER.

Falls Church, Va. July 10th 1898.

Mr Geo W. Crawford

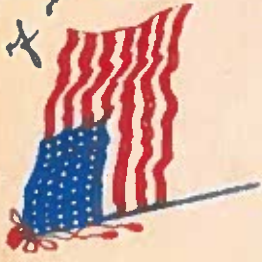
Windsor Ohio

My Dear Father -

Rec'd your very kind and
interesting letter of the 3rd.
inst. last Wed. For a change
it is very chilly here this a.
m. We had a pretty much
last Tue. & Wed. of about 30 miles
and we made some good time.

Instead of it being awfully warm
like it had been it drizzled
rain nearly all the time. Capt
Blizzard arrived here Wed. and Lt.
Allen left. for home Thur. We have
been very busy since as Capt. and

had the Company to drill bricks.
Capt. was on guard yesterday and
he captured an old man selling
whiskey in colored bottles from
a milk wagon. They leave the
old man, his team, wagon,
whiskey and all down at the
guard house. He will be sent
to the country next to-day and
what he will get will be a
plenty. We were paid last Mon.
We have one man in the guard house
it is his second offense. The first
time he got ten dollars and ten
~~cents~~ ^{for} violating the 32nd article
of war and this time he will get
at least \$30. and 30 days at
Fort Myer for violating the 1st &
& 32nd articles of war. He sets
the boys to thinking when we
have a court-martial and a



P.S. Sent a letter
from Company to Mother
Saturday. Aug.

CAMP ALGER,

Falls Church, Va..

1878.

Heavily fired. We had a very
nice time here on the fourth,
had field exercises in the after-
noon and fire works in the eve.
Capt. M. C. Clair and Lt. Compton were
manned to two sisters from
Carholston (Miss Conway) in their
tent last Wed. ev. by our Chaplain
and we over hurn it until it was
over and then we sent them of
in great sleepers, they came back
the next morning with their tent.
We have lots of women in camp
now. Had a crowd of school
teachers from Newark last y^r.
P. 10. 0. R.

morning now at 4.15 and our dress
parade is over in the eve. about 8
oclock and the last roll call at
9.30, it only costs \$3. and 3 days
hard labor to be 5 minutes later at
any roll call. I think this will
be the making of many a man.
I would not mind trading off with
But through harvest. I ~~expect~~ to
come home for a few days when
It. Allen comes back. It means between
forty and fifty dollars to me. Read the box
sent by Capt. B. all ok. Mother when I heard
get my ink done. But she knows I can
wash? We have made bread, butter etc.
just last 7th. I washed about 20 pieces &
had my picture taken unbeknown to me
while doing it. Chas. Mother wants to go
home if I do. I wrote to callie this a.m.
Give my love to all

Believe me your devoted son
L. H.

Camp Alger Va
July 1st 1898
Mrs G. W. Crawford
Newark Ohio

Dear Mother -

I rec'd your very
kind and interesting letter
of the 25th. inst. and
was very glad to hear
from you. I wrote you
a letter night before
last. It is awful warm
here now but we will
put this same about 8
hours a day and then
have two hours each day
in Physical school in
hill tactics. first aid to
the wounded, civil engin.

-iving etc. It is that soon
that a wax candle left sitting
up on the table through the
day in the tent will double
clear over before many hours.
Can tell nothing about
when we will leave here
but do not think it will
be this month. They tell
now is that we will go
in the 4th expedition to the
Philippines. We have over
rookie all uniformed men
and 106 men make a fine
looking company. Biddle
was appointed assistant
quartermaster sergeant. Every
ten days he and the J.M.S.
draw rations for 106 men
for ten days and you
know that is quite a job
then besides that they

draw fresh bread every day &
fresh meat 7 days out of
ten. Our quartermaster says
is an old regular army
man and he is onto his job.
I forget whether I spoke
about my things there or not
but please take care of them.
don't have that tent all
dirty and shabby up, that
U.S. binder all to pieces etc.
Capt. Blyssard left here last
ev. for home on a 7 days
leave and Capt. Willhomer
of Hiram leaves to-night.
I expect to get home some
time this month if we stay
here. They are going to
have some field sports and
piggy dilla here on the
front. Please send me by
Blyssard my razor, duck

pants and would like to have iron
suits of light woolen underwear
also some of those push shoes.
The doctor advised me to have
a couple woolen belts made to

absorb the perspiration from
over the abdomen. I wish you
could make me two, I can
put buttons on here to make
them fit, they can be made
out of any old thing. How
them shaped like this  to go down around. Riding in
well and enjoy your letters
very much, he always brings
them up to me. Any pictures
I send home please keep
them for me. The command on
the wagon is a fatigue detail
I had charge of one day over
at Camp. Good night. Hoping
this finds you all as well as I
am, my love to all

Geo. Cary.

REMEMBER THE MAINP



OUR BOYS
1896

Camp Alger Va.
7th O.U.S.V.I.
Co. G.

Mrs Geo. W. Langford
Newark
Ohio.

WASHINGTON D.C.
JUL 31 PM 96



Camp Alger, Virginia
Sunday a.m. July 31st. 98

Dear Mother -

I have been looking

for a letter from you & you-
ever since I came back. I
have only used one letter in the
last week, I guess every one
thinks it is my time to write
first. We have been very busy
since I returned. I suppose
you are in the paper fast
about what we are doing.

We moved our camp last Mon.
and that is a big job. I think
it is worse than moving at
home for the men have to
carry everything and there

clean the land and build our
house. But it would require
you to set how quick we
fire things up. Last Mon. we
left our old camp after dinner
and marched there where, by
evening, everything was made
homelike, the men had all
built beds, out of poles they
cut in the woods, about two
feet from the ground, with some
all ditched and everything done.
We have a nice camp with good
water and good drainage - but
still with a way from cir-
culation than the old camp.
As you have seen in the paper
there of our men who were ab-
sented to drink had been kept
away from it, could get nothing
else but some wood alcohol
and as a result they died.

very suddenly one of them died
right among us when we were
getting ready to move and the
other two that night at the
division hospital. Nothing could
save them, because they were
thoroughly poisoned and their
incision rather out.

We will be paid some day in
the near future for this month.
Sgt. Budd returned yesterday
and said he had been up to
see you. Also a Co. K. man
yesterday and said he had seen
Kilmer at Johnston. Kilmer is
looking we will see I even saw
him. I go on guard to-night
at Division Headquarters to stay
until to-morrow night. I was
out to a small party in Falls
church last Fri. night, six of

we went for a hour or hour
back, it is over miles from
here. We cut our horse walk
all the way home and got
home first at 4 a.m. There
people is very hospitable and
pleasant down here. "The
at Miss Phillips home. The
Maples" a lovely place, her father
is worth two hundred thousand,
quite rich for a Virginian. Her
invitation to a big dinner with
them. we but I think it is to far
for. And enclosed a description
of a job of ours for the best of
this week. It is over between 70000 mi.
Told Mr Wright to let me know how he
succeeded in that matter.

Please remember me kindly
to all and believe me as ever
your obedient son

Geo. Cary.

P.S. When is the con. fair? Everything looks
as though the war was over but no
telling when we will be out.

Camp Algon, Virginia
Sunday a.m. July 31st 98

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for a letter from some of you
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since I returned. I suppose
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about what we are doing.

We moved our camp last Mon.
and that is a big job. I think
it is over there now. I think
how far, the men have to
carry everything and there

President to Inspect Camp Alger Troops Here.

WILL PARADE 24,000 STRONG

Spectacle Which Capital City Has Not
Witnessed Since Close of the Civil War—
March from Camp and Back Will Con-
sume Three Days—One Death and Many
More Cases of Typhoid Fever Reported—
Sentences Imposed by Court-martial.

A military spectacle, such as has not been approached in Washington since the close of the civil war, will be witnessed here next Saturday, when the entire Second Corps of the volunteer army, numbering nearly 24,000 men, now at Camp Alger, will march to this city and be reviewed by the President and his Cabinet. An order was issued on Friday for the troops to be reviewed in camp by Secretary of War Alger, but later, at a conference between Maj. Gen. Graham, commanding the Second Army Corps, and War Department officials, arrangements were made whereby the President and Cabinet will have an opportunity of reviewing the splendid body of men who have been patiently enduring the hardships of camp life all summer in the hope that they might be called upon to serve their country at the front. It was, therefore, decided to abandon the review in camp, and yesterday Maj. Gen. Graham explained the change to Maj. Gen. Butler and Brig. Gen. Davis, commanding the First and Second Divisions respectively.

Trip Will Occupy Three Days.

The news quickly spread among the different regiments, and though the affair means a lot of hard work, and a long, tedious march for the men, they were almost as much delighted as if they had been ordered to the front. It will give them all a chance to visit Washington, and will break the monotony of camp life. So far no arrangements have been made here for the review and the handling of such an immense army. The soldiers will be in heavy marching order, accompanied by ambulances and mule teams. Three days will elapse between the time the soldiers leave camp and the time they get back to their tents, and some arrangements will be necessary to give them a brief rest while they are in the city. The review will necessarily occupy several hours, and it is probable that a reviewing stand will be erected near the White House. All Washington will no doubt turn out in honor of the brave men, and the review will be an event in the city's history.

The troops will be marched from the camp to Fort Myer Friday morning. There they will bivouac for the night, and come over into the city early Saturday morning. After the parade they will be march-

From -

Lieut. G. C. Crawford
Co. G. 7th Ohio, U.S.A.



Mrs. George W. Crawford

Newark

Licking County Ohio





Camp Algon Va.
Aug 5th 1898

Dear Mother -

Your very kind
and interesting letter of
the 2nd inst rec'd last P.M.
and sympathize with you in
having to face the cruel
rejoice of a dentist. We
are all just about as
usual here. expecting our
pay every minute, also orders
to move our camp as all
the walls here have been
condemned and some of the
puny handles have been

wind down. Five hundred fan
in-hand teams have been ordered
to move on. The review in
Washington was put off. We
have been taking practice marches
of 8 or 10 miles every day or so,
having sham battles etc., and
have some hot times. Two or
three companies are started out
from camp and then in 15 minutes
another battalion is started out
to find them, when they are
found the engagement is on
and the referee decides who
is the victor. It is quite
interesting, we return with
out a dry thumb on us. I
have been cooling myself
out properly and I feel
like a race horse. We had
an awful wind storm last
... and then a very heavy

rain storm. It nearly poured
all night. We are on a small
hill side and the ditch around
our tents are ~~young~~ new beds
this morning. If the tent ropes
are not loosened when it
begins to rain, they shrink
and pull the ~~pages~~ right
out of the ground. Lots of
the tents were down this a.m.
Some were down and the
ranch had washed down and
nearly covered them. Many of
the men took refuge in
the large Y.M.C.A. tent. The
guard was all taken in.
You asked me what kind
of a place "Blum's" is.
Well, it consists of a post-
office, repair officer, two
mill-men and about three
acres of government store.

room. All the volunteers in
this war are to be mustered
out as soon as peace is declared
according to their law. They were
mustered in under. Her
administration expect this by
the middle of the month, then
there will be no to be another
call for about 150,000 men for
our army of occupation. I
wrote Cog. a letter yesterday.
Randine says you were an-
nounced the last letter he made
I sent the picture from Cog.
They were very good. I dreamed
last night that I was home.
Well it is time to go out and
"hike". Give my love to all
and remember that I am of
Rev. H's about "morning"
as was your Obdient Son
Geo. Cary.



Mrs. George W. Cranford
Sharon Valley Stock Farm
Fickling Co.
Newark Ohio.



Camp Alger Va

Aug 9th 1898

Dear Mother -

I read your very kind
and interesting letter

of the 6th inst. Very glad

to hear you are all well

and would like very much

to be there helping to get

those horses ready. You

know it is an old saying

"That it is natural for

the American people to be

dissatisfied". We have seen

how that man had a

better job in their lives

and now got as much to

eat as they do here, they

are just the ones that
kick and say they will
know better next time,
while at the same time
they could not be driven
home. This morning one
of our Non-Commissioned
officers (who has been
around home a great deal)
said to me; I would
rather be at home yelling
whoa! than here yelling
halt, wouldn't you? I
told him he had never
had a better job in his
life and he agreed with
me. I am having a

map just at present,
I have been appointed
Batalion Adjutant, the
Adj. in away in leave
of absence. About all
I have to do is to
issue and promulgate
orders. Sometimes they
come pretty thick though.
When you go out to
Paradise, I am mounted.
I have everything my own
way because Lt. Colonel
Buck is acting Major of
this Batalion and he
does not stay down
here very much and

I have two big trucks
to myself. We have
been having plenty
of rain here of late.
We are looking for the
pay wagon very much.
It is an old "gag" now.
"How come the pay wagon?"
It is no use to believe
any of the reports you
hear because you cannot
rely on them. We are
still near Sumner doing
and cannot tell a thing
about when we will
move or where to, but
I think we will move

to come point him in
Virginia. I got him of
those swollen bands
that were sent from
Newark. Supt. Biddle
has been a little off
since he came back.
I had a little touch
of something like
malaria last week
so the doctor said
but I had been jumping
and I think that
is what made me
so sore. I could
hardly walk. The
3rd. Virginia V.I. cut a

Always address
Co. G. 5th O. U. S. V. I.

Jim Capers last we
were here nothing
about it until this P.M.
I forwarded in order
this P.M. from Coy.
headquarters which will
probably be in the address
in a few days which
cuts off all their
privileges for a while.
They are just across a
deep ravine from us but
do not belong to our Brigade.
Please answer soon. Give
my love and best wishes
to all or we are ~~Christ~~ Say
Goodbye.



FROM ---
Lieut. G. C. Crawford,
Co. C. 7th Ohio, U. S. V.



Mrs Belle Crawford
Newark
Ohio
Licking co.

Camp Alger Va
Aug. 16th 1898

Mrs Belle Crawford
Newark Ohio

Dear Mother -

Your very kind and
interesting letter of the
12th inst recd yesterday
P.M. It is getting warm
here again, since the rain.
Our battalion just came
in from a ten mile
march. We started at 8.30
and were gone a little over
two hours. Lt. Col. Busch was
in command and I was on
my horse acting adjutant.
When we got back into camp
we brought the battalion up

into line and Col. Buck dismantled
and told me to do the same,
which I did and the orderlies
took our horses. Then he told
me to call the officers to
the front and center, when
they came up I lined up on
the right of them, facing him.
Then the Col. said he had a
solemn task to perform, he
said charges had been preferred
against an officer in our Bat-
-alion and he had been convicted
without the record having been
-bridged of it and the Col. then
said ^{that} it had been placed upon
him to make it known to the
accused. (I knew I had did
nothing to my knowledge that
was a breach of orders) Then
the Col. told me to step to
the front, when he took

from around him a beautiful
sword and belt which Co.
G. of the 7th O.V.S.V.I. had
gotten for me. I had noticed
all morning that he had on
a very bright sword, but it
was a complete surprise.
I could not say anything at
the time but after they got
into the Co. S. I thanked
them, which was followed
by three cheers. Col. Buck
had me all gawking, but as
I was adj. when he told me
to step out I supposed he
had some duty for me to
perform, but the rest of
the officer said they
were scared for me. I
have scarcely been out of camp
since I was home, except
on duty. We expect to be

wood to Middletown Pa. (about
20 miles from Harrisburg) within
the last of this week or the
first of next. Some of this Corp
have left to-day. If we get
started this week I will try
and come home next. Let me
know if the Swisher has returned
their saddle horses, also about
that money I sent home. We
are all very healthy now.
I see no sign of us being
unhindered out soon, but we
cannot tell a thing about it.
I write to you for the whole
family. I was detailed for guard
with 20 men at Division Hdqrs.
last Fri. eve. and the little details
were so high I had to get wagons
to take the men over in.

My love to all

Believe me your loving son
Geo. Cary.

Camp Alger Va
Aug. 16th 1898

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Camp Algon Va.

Col. H. W. Crawford
Sharon Valley School 7m
Newark
Ohio



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OF THE
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Young Men's Christian Associations,

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WILLIAM B. MILLAR,
SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION

CAMP ALGER.

J. F. MOORE, } CAMP
W. N. MULTER, } GENERAL SECRETARIES.

~~XXXXXX~~ Co., Aug 21st 1898.

Mr H. W. Crawford
Newark Ohio

Dear Father -

I rec'd Mother's interesting
letter of the 18th inst yesterday
P.M. and I infer from it that
you are still doing business
at the old stand. We had a
very good sermon this morning
from the Y.M.C.A. secretary.
Our adjutant came back a
few days ago, but some friends
of his came yesterday and he
turned the rotation over to me
again. I went on guard last 7 hr.

for a leave of absence and I
expected to start home that night.
A leave of absence has to be ap-
proved and forwarded eight times.
I walked the round trip from
my post on guard to camp that
day three times trying to get
that through. I got it through
four hands but the fifth,
(the brigadier general) said he
had orders to approve none except
in case of death at home or
serious illness and then some-
times they telegraph the city
Mayor for facts. I was great-
ly disappointed because I was
figuring on buying ship Sat.
But ought to be able to get
first with that leave anyway.
I should of liked very much



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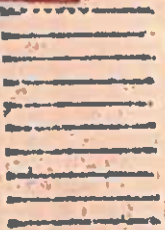
W. N. MULTER, } GENERAL SECRETARIES.

~~St. Louis, Mo.~~ Pa.,

1898.

We do not know just when we will get moved up to Middle town Pa. They are moving out of here as fast as possible, but still I cannot see as we will get a much better place. We have good water here and to be on the safe side all drinking water has to be filtered through a very complicated machine. We have three men in the division hospital and the rest are very well. Berdin has been a little off for a while, but is convalescing

possible muster out the troops
that desired to be. Then some
of those who wanted to go home
began starting petitions and a
little talk from a man (generally
one who never was any account)
would induce the most of them
to sign it. Then a stop was
put to all petitions and this
morning all the papers are full
of letters from men in this
army corp who say they enlisted
to fight Spain and not help
form an army of occupation for
the acquired Territory. We are in
the dark about what we are going
to do. Paper said the 2nd army corp
was to go to Cuba about the
middle of October. Give my
love to all and I wish you much



Mrs. Geo. W. Crawford.
Sharon Valley, Steh-
Newark, Tenn.
Ohio.

Surgeant

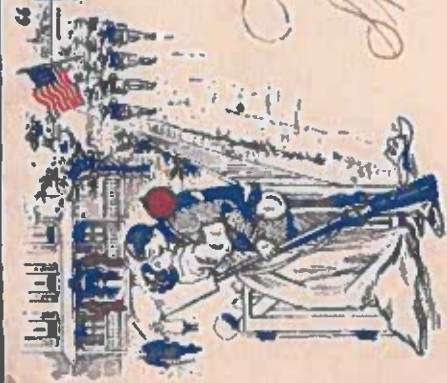


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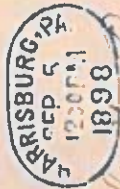
About a week ago I began for
about five days in succession
and then it ended for a time
our affliction but our trouble
reappeared, that is, we did
not get about for some time
and then and again I was
in a state of confusion and
dizziness. The boys in our company
are all well except three who
are in the hospital. They are
but are getting along all right.
I have been (ill)
and cannot get out of bed.
I have had the fever when a great
deal of it - a great deal
our getting along - but -
the progress of the disease
has been very slow. I have
and of the fever. The captain
and of the fever. I like it
very but I did not - we
much but I am not well.







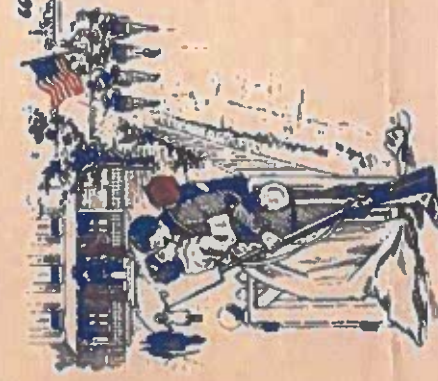
"HOME SWEET HOME."



Mrs. D. W. Crawford
Sharon Valley Stock Farm
Newark
Ohio.

"Mud battlefields and camps we may roam,
Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home!"





"HOME SWEET HOME."

Camp Meade. Pa.

Sept 4th 1898.

"Mid battleships and camps we may roam,
Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home!"

My Crawford.

Kind Friend;

I received your kind and
welcome letter this afternoon and
am glad to hear from you and that
you are all well. As for myself I am
well, (more or less) and happy.

My love and regards to all at home.

My mother is well. The day
after tomorrow I will be going to
Washington. And our regular
writing, during the absence

of the Pension Bureau. And such a
fast we did have. And you ought
to see some of the boys eat. We had
every thing you could think of to eat

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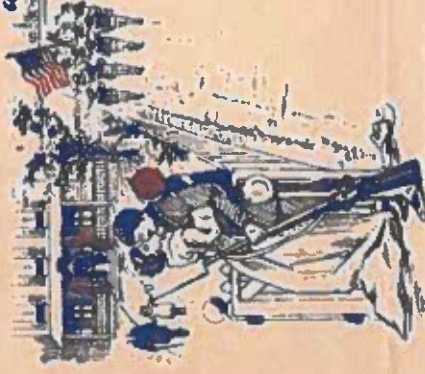
and plenty of it. People carried milk
to ^{the} cars to us and speaker, grapes and other
things to numerous to mention and
then we started for Camp Meade.

It is a very pretty country down here
and every thing is nice and clean.
We had a nice car ride and seen some
very scenery along the road. I dream
all the people around here really for
they have such nice houses and barns
and some of the nicest farms you
ever saw. Our camp is about six
miles from Harrisburg Pa. and it
is a nice place to camp over the winter.

is situated about a square mile
in a nice house and by the lake.

very nice place. And the camp was
named after her as her husband
was a General in the last war.
Our tents are all new. And we are
going to give us board floor to
put in tents.

"HOME SWEET HOME."



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We have spring cots to sleep on
her and have a nice tin of corn
the water is scarce here and we got
had to haul it in barrels from a
spring that comes from a mountain
about four miles from camp. It is
nice and water and very good but
we will have a pipe run here in a
few days and have plenty of it.
It is a very healthy place here
and the air is nice and sweet
and even boys here seem to be in
good health. We have in
all from our company but they
are getting along all right. We will
be mustered out in a few weeks
and all be sent home.

They are talking of giving you a
forty day furlough and then
mistake us out for it will take
a month to get them to make out
discharge and our clothing account
as we got money coming from that
and it will take a month to do that.
I wish I was there to help to take care
of the honor but I can't now.
But maybe I will before long I suppose
you feel done some day, all the
work is gone. And it keeps you
busy to keep track of things.
We did must close for present -
with is very hot here now and
my new book is out in the
market. I will be in. and send
every thing I am getting along.
give my regards to all
Yours Respectively,
D. A. Hanna.

Answer again!



Mrs Belle Crawford
Newark
Ohio



Camp Meade, Pa.

Sight. 9th Dec. 1898

Dear Mother -

Please find
inclosed a draft
for \$150. which please
place to my credit.

My bank book
is there in my
desk.

Am very sorry
to hear of Coz's
tragic death, coz
I do. hear my sympathy

It has been my
cold the last two

night. I am as
well as usual and
as much in the dark
as usual about
what is to be done
with me.

Evening hours and
from writing as I
am due to start
after the loads
of lumber from
the rail-road, five
miles from here.

Am soon
your obedient son
Geo. Cary

SECOND ARMY CORPS.



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Col Geo. W. Crawford
Sharon Valley Stock Farm
Newark Ohio



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Camp Meade Pa.

Wed., Sept. 13th / 1898

Dear Father -

Yours of the 12th
init rec'd yesterday P.M.
and was very glad to
hear from you. Two
weeks ago I thought we
would be mustered out
- but now it looks as
if we would not be.
By his morning's paper says
no more will leave this
Corp. I could not get
a 30 days furlough now.
Capt Bliggant is home now

and will be back Saturday.
I will try my best to get
home Sunday to see you
before you go and will
be there for a week or
ten days. Of course I
cannot say for sure I
can get there, but think
I can. I rec'd a letter
this a.m. that Mother wrote
last Sun. and that you
wrote Mon. I rec'd last eve.

I was getting worried
about that money I sent
home but now it is all
right. We have a nice camp
here and I have a fine tent,
16 ft. 4 in. across, a place to
build a fire in it and so

think that light does not
shine through it. Quite a
number of our men are not
feeling well now, it seems
to be kind of a malaria.
I never felt better in my
life and weigh 165 lbs.
We rec'd an order the other day
to let 10 per cent of our men
go home on 7 days furlough
at a time until further order.
There are about 30,000 men here
now and more coming in all
the time. No volunteers
have been mustered out
yet and I do not think
any will be until after
Congress meets. It is all
gone now to say what is

to be done with us. We are brigaded
with the 10th Ohio and 1st Maryland
regiments now and Col. Hamilton
is acting Brigadier General.

Our Company got Supt. Charlie
Hamilton a beautiful watch chain
the other day and they
got me to present it to
him, which I did last eve.
after parade. He was so
impressed he could not speak,
I had to appoint another supt.
to dismiss this company. I will
write to Bert and Maj. Rawlin
as soon as possible. I must
stop hoping this will find you
all well. Give my love to
all and if I should not see
you I wish you a safe and
profitable journey. We ever
your obedient Son Geo. Carg.



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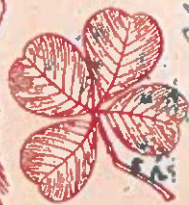
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K. J.
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1864

M. C. Crawford

Sharon Valley Sta. Conn.
Newark

Glasgow.





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and Meade Sept 15, 1878.

Mr Crawford:

Kind friend I thought I

would drop you a few lines today
and let you know how we are
all getting along. Carry and I will
be home next week. I don't know
whether ^{we will} be home together or not
but it we will not be far apart.
Captain went home yesterday.

I don't believe we will be
mustard out at 10 o'clock or
11 o'clock. I don't know.

right or wrong or not. and I think
we will be mistaken out there.
and they are increasing fast enough
and I am coming home an
more and I can get it. And
it will be about next week.
We have a nice camp here
and every thing is nice and
healthy. I can't wait to
your home and tell him I
wish I could see him and
see what he looks like now.
he went home. I suppose that
is far out at sea now and
having a good job. I hope
yet the horses

I will send you a present
that I got in a souvenir of
Camp Meade. Well I will
tell you I have nothing more
to say hoping that you are
much better. In letter
lover and send love and
wishing you are
of a letter soon. I am
very much to all. I hope
very much
Respectfully
Verdine.

Post G. C. Crawford,
Co. G. 7th Ohio, U. S. V.



Mrs. George W. Crawford
Newark
Ohio.



Middletown Pa
Sept 16th 1895

Mrs. G. W. Crawford

Dear Mother -

Rec'd your kind
letter this a.m.

We just arrived here
from our old camp.

Marched four miles

this a.m. on our way
to Columbus.

Capt. Blizard arrived
this a.m.

We leave our camp
pitched here for a few

days

I would like to
see Mother before

for your own, if
he could let me
know what time
he will be in Har-
-burg maybe I could
see him there, but
we may have for
Columbi^a some time
Monday via P. R. R.

Hoping to see soon
Love from
Sam Jones
H. C. Cary.



Mr Geo W. Crawford
Newark
Ohio.





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Camp Meade Pa.

Sept 21st 1898

Dear Mother -

I have not heard

from you for some
time but am looking
for a letter in

every mail. I suppose
Father is on the water
by this time. Major

Rawlin said he
would leave today
with S. S. "Gummi".

I was looking for
word from him, I could
have seen him just
as well as not. Now
our camp is within
100 yds of the Power
R.R. I just came

off guard this A.M.
My it has been cold
for the last two

nights. We expect to
pull stakes some
time tonight. It
will be in the morning
(Thurs.) night's advent.

what time we will
go through Nevada

Fri. a.m. on the B&O.
We will probably get
away from Columbus

about next Wed.
don't let Ike get
away before that
time. My love to all

As ever Your loving Son
Geo. Carly.

P.S. I wrote But a long
letter.



Mr Bill Crawford
Newark
De.





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Regt.

Ohio U.S.



Camp Bushnell
Sept 25th 1895

Dear Mother -
I arrived all
O.K. and found every
thing in good shape.
We now expect to
be home some time
soon.

It is very cloudy
and dismal looking
this morning. I
read a letter from
Carl yesterday that
you had forwarded

to me. I used a
letter for Carl
when home and
I believe I put it
under the buggy
seat, got it and
forwarded it to him.
don't put another
stamp on it tho'.

You are F. Winget-
to-morrow and tell
him that when I
got away I could
not find but ~~20.~~ 20.
twenty dollar that
he had gave me
for twenty five.

Don't forget.

Well I must stop hoping
to see you soon I am
Yours Albin Sore
Yr. Carl

Will I must stop hoping
to see you soon, am
your Obedient Son
Geo Cary.