

Camp Sigel Dec 19 1861

Dear Aunt

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that I write to you all
though I have nothing of
importance. I suppose you
have heard of our trip to
Bagdad it give me a bad
cold that in the night
you said in your letter
that I must come up as
soon as I could well
open need not look
for me soon for I
I have got a wind off
from here and I do not
now whether I will be
at home again untill
my time is out and
perhaps I may never see

home again but if I
don't I hope I will
meet you all in Alford
when friends never part
you said in your letter
that you would knit
me a pair of gloves I
wish you would knit them
if you please and send
them the first chance
write soon give me all
of the news give my
respects to all of my
friends tell John that I
heard him holloa when
we past through Saturday
I saw you all I was stand-
ing on the platform of
the cars, hear is some news
that I had in my pocket
of book take them and
keep them for me

I hear nothing more
at present write
soon tell Anne
Jim that I would
like to get a letter
from him once and
a while any how

Direct your letter to
Camp Sigel Col Whitakers
sixth Ky regiment
care of Capt Lee

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