Camp - Corpus Christi, Texas
Oct. 25, 1845

Dear Brother,

Hearing that the Texian Revenue Cutter is about to leave here for Galveston, I have concluded to drop you a few lines - I wrote you in great haste a few lines from New Orleans which if you received informed you of our destination. We arrived here about two weeks ago. We are now comfortably settled in camp. We have here the 9th, 11th, 12th, 18th Regts. of Inf., the 9th Regt. of Dragoons, Seven Companies of Artillerists taken from the different Regts. of the Corps and the Battalion of Louisiana Volunteers.

Our Camp is about two miles in length and presents a splendid sight. Our Camp occupies the Centre of the line. We have the best ground & handsomest Camp of any Regt. in the Army. As it is impossible for me to visit you at present, I hope you will endeavor to come over here to make me a visit. Nothing could afford me greater pleasure than to receive you here & I hope you will find it convenient to make the trip.

We are not like to have a very active campaign, we hear no war rumors here & nothing to encourage in the hope that Mexico would give us something to do.

I think it is probable we shall remove from here before the Cold season as it is very difficult to get wood & the water is also bad. I do not know when the Eternal intends to go soon.
if we do more the most of us wish to go immediately to the
Rio Grande. I hope we will be permitted to do so.

Have received within a day or two third long letter from
Mani which is the first intelligence I have had from
Hartford since I left there. They are all well there.
Mani gives such flattering account of the wonderful perfor-
mances of our little ones that I have felt rather more homesick
than ever at the relief of a load of anxiety by the re-
cipe of her letters. In one thing she states that she was going
write to you that day & I hope she did & the says also that they
are going to send you a box in November. Mention this
that you may be on the look out for it.

Have as yet received no letter of Texas but the Officers
who traveled thru the country appear to be delighted
with the country & the people. I am very anxious to see
more of it. I should like very much to cross the country
from here to Yucatan but I shall be obliged to postpone
it to some future day. I shall however expect to see you
here if you can make it convenient to come. At any rate
you must write to me often to tell me all the news you hear.

I understand your collector here has orders to demand twenty-five
per cent ad valorem on all the supplies brought here for
by our duties this is going to be a very heavy tax upon us
who are the consumers & it will cost us a great deal to live
as we have to pay the highest price for provisions. This may
be all right but strikes me that if Texas is an entire part
of the Union that the levying of such a tariff is illegal. Much
Complaint is found I do think not without reason.
A Captain of Engineers, with an escort of Dragoons left Camp this morning on a tour of exploration towards Metamora.

I believe I have given you all the news we have here. If nothing of interest transpires I will endeavor to inform you. Although none of us have been seriously sick, our command is suffering from diarrhoea which, it is the general belief, is caused by the water.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

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