

Hiram's nephew

2nd Army 3rd Div. 17th A.C.
Fort G. H. G. 1864
Harrisville Va.

Gield Hospital 3rd Div. 17th A.C. 1864
Near Atlanta Ga. July 1864

Dear Aunt Mary

I take my

pen in hand to write
a few lines to let you know
how we are getting along.
I and George are well. Uncle
Will is not very well but
so that he can go about and
write on himself.

I suppose you will hear
the sad news of the loss
of your dear husband's left
ear as this reach you you
as Uncle Will wrote to you
soon after it was done. but
am not be as he and we are
thankful that it was not
his life ^{and} some of the rest of
us with him he bears it well
and had not one complaint to me

his arm was amputated on the
morning of the 23rd the next
day after the fight. ~~It~~ between
the elbow and shoulder he does
not complain of much pain
he ~~said~~ says he is weak and
says he feels better this after
noon than he has since it
was done. I have been detailed
in the hospital and will stay
with him ^{and wait on} till he gets to come
north which I think will
be in the ^{course} of a month
as so as soon as the wounded
are able to be sent north I guess
it will be done as General
Sherman has issued an order
to that effect. So Dear Aunt
try and bear it the best you
can for it is not as much as some
wome have to bear. The
same day we lost one of our
best generals which ever soldier
in this Depart ^{ment} the loss of
it was our Brave ^{Gen} Sherman who ^{led} coman

the Dept. - of the Comm he fell
soon after the fight commenced
Our Co. lost seven killed on
the field and one have since
died of his wound, ^{Sergeant} Wm. Sopher
is the only one that was killed that
live near Pennsville R. Y. Moore his
wound in the hip Wm Smith flesh
worn in bath this one of the balls
was cut out this morning the
other remane in him yet Robert
Harrell wound in the hip the
bone fractured and Uncle Wibe
are those near Pennsville wound
except Harry Davis wounded in the
hand and taken prisoner Capt
McCurry ^{and R. Jones} was also take I might
give you the names of all but
suppose they would not interest
you much as you are not
acquainted with them Our Com
bated six killed eleven wounded
and five missing

everything appears to be quiet
since the 22nd we have our
hospital pretty well arranged
considering the circumstances
there is a report this evening that
our Corps Hospital will soon
be moved to Marietta
which is about twenty
miles from this place
and is a very beautiful place
and can accommodate a
great many sick and
wounded and right on the
Salem road where we can get
plenty of supplies. I believe
I have nothing more to
write only I will tell
you that our hole Co was
detached yesterday as guards
for our Dev. Hospital so
we are all together and
are likely to be as long as we
stay here so you see we can
aid each other. As I have ^{ing} nothing
more this evening to write I
close. as yours Affectionate. Stephen
Write soon and Address C. W. Coulson