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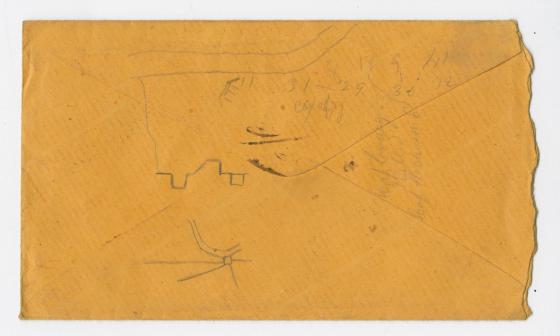
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Addressed to Sargt Thos S. Armstrong
Co B 78th Regt O.V.U.S.A.
Camp Gilbert
(near) Zanesville Ohio
Newark O 29th Jan 1862
Dear T.S.A.
I saw your Bro W.F. yesterday who reports you at Camp Gilbert. I think you have chosen the better part as did one of old and I sincerely wish you luck. My business is in such a shape that it is clearly my duty to remain at home or I should have been in the Glorious 76th at Camp Sherman. My Bro. James has just returned to Green River where his Regt is encamped (Ky) the 3d Ohio they are in the under Brig Gen O.M. Mitchell of Cinti Observatory fame.
He certainly will take part in the Battle of Bowling Green when it takes place. Jim makes a good soldier High Private brave and fearless. I really think he has his Captair reports him very daring.
How do you like soldiering? Is there any poetry in it? You are fortunate in being a sergeant and to hear of your being a Lieut. There is one safe way to attract the attention of your superiors and be long step to promotion i.e. make yourself a master try to excel in everything you undertake and make yourself perfectly acquainted with every detail and movement you can. Waste no time at drill. Some soldiers pride themselves on this ability Debility(?) or privilege to remain in tent or strolling around during Parade or other duties. They are like an idle school boy. When there is a position open or a chance for promotion, they are incapable to fill it. This great for promotion is capability in whatever station in life. You must also take great care of your health.
The plain simple laws of life and health must not be violated is the great cause of camp ills. In regard to morals I need not say nothing as you have already arrived to the years of discretion but allow me to say that you cannot be too strict in that regard. You can come out of the war untainted. Will you is for you to decide.
I also wish you to acknowledge the receipt of your letter written at school and should have written you long since had I not misplaced your address.
Write soon & believe me your friend.
S.S. Sigler

January 29, 1862