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Mincheste Va Dea Boo fan. 22 1863 The 122 nd Still occupies the highto west of Muches te. We have rather a cold place to go into Winter Quarters, of our present Camp is to be our arish quarters ( & from the present undications we will winter on this fite in our louds no doubt) in our tents on this hele ]: "Gesterday & the night previous we had quite a know storm covering the ground to the depth of Several inches. no doubt this is the know How you have had in this, takey, covering the ground nearly a foot deep. But I think the depth her would not exceed 3 inches. and it melter very fust and formed blush making it Extremely difficult for Pedestrians to make then way along the Streets But Still Leveral Sleight with the merry sound of Bells we could occasionally he ar the Merry Jingh of Sleigh Bells. Winchester would be a fine place for Sleighing as the streets are rather level

and the perkes leading from it are splendid. Aran getting our selves to receive our pay. The & think That it We are preparing ourselves to receive our pay. We are fully ready & think -We are living in expectation of receiving it Soon, too, I don't think there is a man who would refuse to receive his pay in this Reg A. I may be mistaken But who ever he may be I think he would receive it if the Say master would press hundhough to lake it. We will boon have light Bread issued as we have an over made to Supply the 122 110 Rights. The over is down in Muchester, For The Benefit of The friends of our Boxes backages to Can be Sent whate by as to this the term and when they be brought thro to the Rest By teams So Col Ball assures us. So Send Them on if you have Them Read! J. S. Armstrong



## January 22, 1863

Addressed to Mr. William Armstrong

Norwich, Muskingum Co., Ohio

Winchester Va

Jan. 22 1863

Dear Bro

The 122nd still occupies the hights west of Winchester. We have a rather cold place to go into winter quarters. If our present camp is to be our winter quarters (& from the present indications we will winter in our tents on this hill). Yesterday & the night previous we had quite a snowstorm, covering the ground to the depth of several inches. No doubt this is the snow storm you have lately had in Ohio, covering the ground nearly a foot deep. But I think the depth here would not exceed 3 inches and it melts very fast and formed slush making it extremely difficult for pedestrians to make their way along the streets. But still we could occasionally hear the merry jingle of sleigh bells. Winchester would be a fine place for sleighing as the streets are rather level and the pikes leading from it are splendid.

We are preparing ourselves to receive our pay. We are fully ready I think. We are living in expectation of receiving it soon, too. I don't think there is a man who would refuse to receive his pay in this Regt. I may be mistaken. But whoever he may be, I think he would receive it if the Pay Master would press him strongly to take it.

We will soon have light bread issued as we have a 12 x 14 oven made to supply the 122 & 110 Regts. The oven is down in Winchester. For the benefit of the friends of our Regt we can assure them that all boxes and packages, etc. sent to soldiers can be sent \_\_\_\_\_ perfectly safely to this place for when they arrive at Martinsburg, they will be brought thro to the Regt by teams. So Col Ball assures me. So send them on if you have them ready.

T.S. Armstrong