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## Letter from Thomas S. Armstrong to Jacob G. Armstrong

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Libby Prison Richmond Va  
Aug. 19 1863

Dear Bro Jacob, I recd your letter dated  
July 25 - on the 4<sup>th</sup> Aug I've been unwell  
& have not answered as soon as I could  
have liked - I am better now I hope  
to be exchanged ere long then I can come  
home and see you. I am sorry that you  
was uneasy about me at Winchester I was  
fired at many a time there & many a  
ball whistled near me. But thank God  
my life was spared. J. L. Maxfield told  
you the first news - How many of the  
Boys are at home - many?

I intend to try to bear myself up man-  
fully & I hope to be exchanged soon  
O that our Government would act  
soon & get us relieved from here

What do you know about the 122 Regt  
Did any of our Boys get hurt Write me  
what you know about it - I have not  
heard a line from the Regt by any  
source whatever

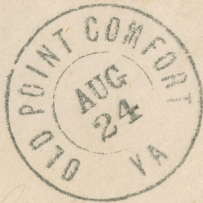
I'm glad to hear you are all well  
and that Abram & Mahilda are well  
I hope Mary & Aila will learn &  
do well at the Normal I hope they  
will have a good time & will learn  
Was it Jora Slack that died at  
Ballimore?

I should like to see you  
very much I hope & pray that we may  
be exchanged soon

I receive your love & return  
mine I'm glad to know <sup>you</sup> pray for  
me I do pray myself

Write to me soon

from your Bro  
Thos. S. Armstrong



*J. D. Armstrong*

*Norwich  
Washington Co  
Ohio*



August 19, 1863

Addressed to Mr. J.G. Armstrong

Norwich, Muskingum County, Ohio

Dear Bro Jacob. I read your letter dated July 25. I've been unwell and have not answered as soon as I could have liked. I am better now & hope to be exchanged then I can come home and see you. I am sorry that you was uneasy about me at Winchester. I was fired at many times there & many a ball whistled near me. But thank God, my life was spared. J.L. Masfield(?) told you the first news. How many of the Boys are at home? Many?

I intend to try to bear myself up manfully & I hope to be exchanged soon. Oh that our government would act soon & get us relieved from here.

What do you know about the 122 Regt? Did any of the Boys get hurt? Write me what you know about it. I have not heard a line from the Regt by any source whatever.

I'm glad to hear that you are all well and that Abram & Matilda are well. I hope Mary & Fla will learn & do well at the Normal. I hope they will have a good time & will learn. Was it Dora Slack that died at Baltimore?

I should like to see you very much. I hope & pray that we may be exchanged soon.

I receive your love and return mine. I'm glad to know you pray for me. I do pray myself.

Write to me soon.

from your Bro

Thos. S. Armstrong