

Fort Fort Clowen Va
Aug 4th 1869

Dear Maria

Again I will try and write you a few lines, but the weather is so very warm that it is very uncomfortable for a person to do nothing and never so to even move his fingers in writing. The last three days have been the warmest we have seen this summer and the cool evenings are very acceptable.

Yesterday Gen Sigler who is in command of the 7th Army Corps came up here and reviewed the Troop and I had the honor of doing the escort duty with our Regiment. The Regt however is very small at present on account of sickness, we had out for review only about 150 men but we report about 300 for duty, the 19th Wisconsin Regt have nearly 400 men on the sick list and had out for review only about 70 men.

The Medical Director came up here from Ft Monroe yesterday and examined the different camps to find out if possible the cause of the sickness.