

Head Quarters 12th Regt. V. V. M.
Wolf Run Shoals Va.
March 21st 1863-

Dear Laura:

Your letter of March 16th was rec'd last night & Mary & I read it with a great deal of interest. I am glad you are getting along so well at home & really feel that you have an establishment of your own. It will do you good to be dependent upon yourself more than you ever have before.

I am glad the pictures pleased you. The ambrotype was the best one that has been taken here. The reason that Mary's face is not clear is her horse did not stand still. He moved his head as you will see by looking at the bit, & that shook her.

I did not think Mr. McKen would read my letter in the Sabbath School or I should have been more particular. I wrote to him in quite a haste, but hope there was nothing that should not have been said.

I meant to have written you to have a glass put over the picture & am glad you intend to have it done.