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Dear Sister,

Good morning; I wish you a happy New Year - and doubtless this is the sentiment of every heart at my green mountain home in Vermont.

When I awoke this morning, the first thing I heard was - wish you happy new year - happy new year; a thought struck my mind with considerable solemnity. During the past year I with many others have known something what it is to be a soldier; but I must acknowledge that our regt has been wonderfull lucky during their Campaign thus far;