

March 25<sup>th</sup>/62

Camp Tennallytown near Washington  
Dear Brother Edmond

It is with pleasure to me that I take my  
pen in hand to inform you that your  
letter was just received by me and I as-  
sure you I was exceedingly glad to hear  
from home and that Alva is getting better  
and I hope by the time this is received  
by you she will be entirely well

Please tell her not to worry about me  
not eaver if I should fall for if I do  
it will be at my post. I hope and pray  
For God knows I love my Country as I do  
my life and what is Country if a man is  
a Slave God knows I hold no anim-  
osity a gant's any man nor will I bear  
as I am bow my humble knee to any man  
let him be who or what he is. If I thought  
that the Northern army was fighting  
to impress the South I for one would

caust my armes away with disgust - eaven  
at the Perrell of my life. But no I  
believe we are wright and all though theas  
has been lamentations heard from both  
North & South and theas will be fresh  
Blud shed at every battle that is fought  
but still let it come in all of its harrow  
we the Constitutional party is right  
And counter we must for our cohes it  
is just - And Dear Brother if it should  
be the will of him that has made this  
Nation so mighty and so free to call me  
away to be judged for all I have done on  
this earth I hope you will think of  
me not what I was but what I might  
have been. I have been quite sick  
but know I feel quite smart and so  
our Regiment is about to march I  
will be able to go with it - there is great  
activity in the Army around the Palomae  
at present - We are in General Counts

Division and Brigade under General  
Peck he they say is a very good Officer  
I hardly hear of the Anderson Bonavus  
spoke about it - is all 63<sup>rd</sup> NYS Vll  
Our Colonel has been under arrest for some  
thing what us unnone to us but now he  
has proved those that has charges against  
him to be liers and he goes with us his  
erquittle was received by us this morning and  
suteh chear after chear that resond a I was  
allmost deafning he is beloved and respected  
by all ho knowed him. Give my love to Ma  
Ann Louisa tell Ann Louisa I have <sup>wrote</sup> ans-  
her letter pleas tell Henry his note was  
received by me and as quick as I can find  
time I will answer it - We boys thought  
even we crofed the River the other day  
we expected to have a fight but the Bird  
has talking wings and flew to parties  
unnone if we had met them it would  
not have been another Bull Run affair

I do not think for General McClellan  
has told us if we stuck to him he would  
take us I do not know where we are going  
but this I do know we start in less than  
15 minutes the long roll is beating so  
I must close love to all

Let I remain  
William Allcot

to my Brother  
P. H. Allcot

P.S. April 1st New Port News

Bear ~~Boston~~ I did not have a chance  
to mail this letter so by the head of  
this you can tell where I am so you  
can write to me as soon as you receive  
this I have seen all the Boys at Fort  
Mifflin they are all well I have  
also seen my friends in the Fair  
Bonaves they all well to

No more at present -  
W. Allcot