

for I do not - but - there is one thing
if I do make up my mind to go in
for the war it will not be under
the command of Col. Wilcox but
in some other Regt - the way that things
look now I think that I will not serve
more than three months but if so I
will let you know there was a great
excitement here last night we got the
news that Col. Stone was taken with
three thousand prisoners the Regt was
ordered out to fight on Fort Elsworth all
night expecting Benavarez to attack
our fort - but he did not come as
for myself being out on guard & my
post being the hardest - out about
three miles from camp you may know
how I felt when I heard the news there
was a great excitement but we got through the
night however without any alarm at all
but I was mighty glad when it was day
break I heard I have seen John bull -
I did not have much time to talk to him
as he was busy drilling I did not see Calise
they all seem very well satisfied being my
to all the folks you know kids there all
for me that is all the first Capt. Stone sent
best respects to George that I wrote him the same
time that I did you from Jerry

I am very much obliged to you for that to
that you sent me for it - I am
in that when I wanted it & I
and very grateful for it
Camp Nelson June 11th/61

Dear Brother

Yours of the

thirtieth I received yesterday while out
on picket guard & it gave me great
pleasure to hear from you we are
getting along very well here the fare
is a little better than it was that
article of the tenth in the Tribune
gets all the credit - the Col says that
we are a disgrace to the Regt but
we all think different & I don't think
that he will get over one company
out of the whole regiment to go
for three years that men don't like
him & they say that they would try
to for he treats us more like a lot
of slaves than men only yesterday
morning he called us out for inspection
& search but let me go back a little
on Saturday morning we had to drill

