

but I guess we shall make
a live of it at any rate
I mean to as long as the
potatoes & Onions last
I hope that the report that
Sill & Delton are all right
will prove true. I shall hear
something about it when Sill
gets back he is some an afeeling
& his time is about up. I believe
he will know all about it - if they
have had a telegram to that effect.
Our second Lieut left the other
day for a 15 day skedaddle he
lives in Scottsville I wish you
could see him but he will probably
be about starting for Balling Lee
by the time you get this his name
is Fred Deitz a first rate
fellow. But I will close hoping
to hear from you soon.
I remain as ever! Yours brother.

Charles
To R.S. Chapin

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C. Wor, Feb 19, 1865

Camp Mainwright, Va.
Sunday Feb. 19th 1865
Well Rob guess of the 13th
instant I received this
morning while I was making
a change for inspection
& gladly received I am
well so usual & hope this
will find you all enjoying
a fair degree of health.
But I cant make it
seem possible that Will
is dead it is so short
a time since he was
here with me sitting
right where I am now
seated & we were singing
Oh: wrap the flag around
him boys: To die were
for more sweet - With
president's glory ^{emblem} ~~honor~~ boys.
To be my winding sheet.

He was thought a great deal
of by the boys for the time
he had been with them.

Yesterday we took the
guns up to Fort Davis
in front of Petersburg &
left them they are doing
garrison duty five cannoneers
to each gun besides a couple
went with them consequently
we drivers will have to
do our own guard & I
for luck come on to night
well no great loss but
what there is some small
gain. I shall have to take care
of my team tomorrow;

If you have got some good
driving stock just keep
them till I get back &
I will tell you whether
he has got any go into
her or not.

Is quite warm & pleasant
today good deal of a spring
day about it - first hot
day to lay out & sun.

I haven't seen the Major
since I came from the
front (Hatchers Run) he is
in the vicinity now I
suppose. It is getting so
late I guess you needn't
send Rose if you haven't
for if we should have to
move soon after I couldn't
carry them very well besides
we expect to get paid
next week then I can get
occasionally one which will
have to answer.

Our stamity seems lonely
as yesterday there were two
taken to the Hospital out of it
& two more went to the point
so it only leaves five.

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