

Barracks No 1
Levensville 664
May 31st 1865

Dear Lieutenant:

Your telegram and letter of
25th inst was both received by me yesterday, at
Salem. I had been quite sick for several days
and had gone to Salem to try to get better, but I
have as yet failed. As soon as I receive your dispatch
I was very anxious to come and help you with the
final business of the company. I accordingly
started on the fast train but arriving at this
place I find I cannot proceed further. I am
so very sick I can scarcely walk. I regret
very much that I cannot be present to help
you. As I am too sick to travel further I have
made arrangements to send St. Smith &
Willis Macey with the Rolls. As soon as I
can get relieved from duty here I will go to
Salem, to Doct. Hobbs for treatment he says he
can cure me in 4 or 5 months, even that
is not very encouraging but really I have not ^{much} hope

P.S. Will you still have the Pay Rolls.
fixed so as to show the time I am
entitled to 111¢ extra pay for responsibility
& arms &c. I gave John Coombs the date
& form when he was here, I suppose
he has got it yet. It will probably
enable me to get the money upon
a final settlement with the government.

I have been dragging along here as adjt of Rts. for
a long time. The business has been too confusing
for me though I could depend on clerks to do the
principal amt. of the business.

If there is any camp equipment of mine that is
worth taking care of will you please do so for me.

In regard to Board of Survey or annuities I can
only say if the parties are happy, and think that they
have done right and told the whole truth (which I hope
they have) then I am satisfied.

I have not eaten the lost ordnance nor has
it been lost by my carelessness, you certainly
know that I have always manifested the greatest
care in regard to it. Therefore I hope you will
have another board of survey appointed to get up
a voucher for me to acct. for the property.

If you can do this easily and without too much
trouble do so, but otherwise let it go. I don't intend
to let it bother me as I am paid up nearly all.

I must close in haste

Yours truly
Wm. J. F. W.