By Telegraph from Atlanta 21
To Gen Howard

The General wishes if possible that you put some
persons on the track of Sisco and find out where he is going
He has been trying to get out
a person from here but does not succeed in finding a
person that is worth much or
reliable

L W Dayton
a.s.o
Columbia Hospital, Washington, D.C.,
Sep. 21st, 1864.

My dear Gen.:

I have been appointed, by the President, through Brig. Gen. W. S. Ketchum, to this place, where I arrived and entered on active duty on Thursday last, and am grieved to find a "thorn in the flesh," in the shape of a malicious opposition from some of the underlings in E. Tenn. who have slanderously denounced me to the Sec. of War, as a rebel, and unworthy my position.

My good friend, Maj. Pelouze suggest, that as you were in London, and saw something of me, you can do me a great service by favoring me with a few lines, in refutation of these reports, which seek the ruin of myself and family.

I add, by way of apology for this intrusion, that my anxiety prompts the course I have here taken, and that a good word from you may effectually serve an old servant of the Lord, who desires to do his humble duty.
Praying that God’s hand of Providence may watch over and protect you, I am, with much esteem,

Your Obliged humble Serv’t.

William Vaux,
Chaplain U. S. A.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard,
Comdg. Depart. Tennessee,
Atlanta, Georgia.
Boston Sep 22, 1864

Dear General,

Soon after my arrival at home my sister wrote you a few lines which you read as I learn by a letter from Charles. I have been at home eleven days, during six of which I have been confined to my room, as soon as I thought him sick from works and subsequently suffering under an attack of dysentery. Returned from the country day before yesterday and now for the first time find a convenient opportunity to write to you as I have wished to do so since my sudden departure from camp at Big Shanty. At that time I had no idea of
of returning home. My decision to come was not made without sincere regret at leaving your Staff and giving up the opportunity of going through the Campaign.

I have wished to write that I might tell you of the very great pleasure to myself with which I spent my short time with you, and the satisfaction with which I look back upon my brief Soldier's life as a member of your Staff. I shall not cease to regret my inability to continue in the service, which by your kindness, I would have been enabled to enter under such pleasant and favorable circumstances. With an increased experience and better health, I think my highest satisfaction...
would be to join with you and do some image part toward finishing the great work of the war. I have wished also to write General and apologize for coming away without any explicit authority from you. I requested Charles to find me such documents as might be necessary, but did not wait for himself. My impression however was that it was a matter of little consequence, but it has since occurred to me that perhaps I assumed more liberty than I ought. If so, it was from misapprehension of my true relation to you and the Service. It was not intentional deception.

I have rejoiced very much in your success and in that of General Sherman's Army. Allow me
to congratulate you upon your accession to the Command of the Army of the Tennessee. Your responsibility & labor must be increased by the change. I often wish that I could stand at the old desk & do a little writing for you.

RNLand writes me that Col. Kenan has not met you at the face of Atlanta. He does not feel anxious about your health. He is going to Worcester next week to attend the meeting of the Am. Board. He writes of your father, death of which has deeply reached you. If Charler has returned as hoped he has safely, please
give my regards to him and thanks for his letter of Sept 6. We are rejoicing our good news lately from the Shenandoah and Mobile. Gold and rice are falling rapidly. May the hearts and strength of the Copperheads meet with them. On Sunday Eve I attended for the first time since my return an evening meeting at Dr. Stone's church. It was chiefly devoted to prayer for the soldier and the army. Every morning this week as soon as they have a prayer meeting for this purpose. And in speaking of God's hand visible in the war alluded to the voluntary charge of the troops.
as Mission Ridge (Capt. was it now?) and said, "Who animated those men to go forward? Who ordered their charge? The command came from no human lips. No banner visible to the human eye floated before them, but God Almighty himself led them on and breathed into them the spirit of victory." He is free to the brim of joy and love for the Army.

I am going to Portland to-morrow for a visit and hope to make Ronland a short call at Farmington before I return. My letter is already too long, General. Hope it will find you well. If you come home in the face of
winter I hope I may be able to see you. I am now + 
shall be probably for some months at my sisters, No. 603
Tremont St. Boston. My health is nearly confined, but I have
recently fully regained my strength.

I would like to be remembered to Stinson, Gibbraith
+ any others of the old staff
who may be with you. Please
give my regards also to Sam + tell him I hope to see him
at the South after the war.

Excuse the length of my letter General believe me
to be truly yours,

E. H. Gilman

May Genl. O. H. Howard,
Com'dy Army + Dept of the Tennessee.
Dear Sir,

I have not written any letters and have done scarcely anything else since I began my reports. But Indian corn raising and railroading。 I am in the midst of writing this report on which you will be proud. I have written several pages of long-hand notes, and now I give my attention to the departmental report. I have had all the help I need in writing it. I dictate to Capt. Beale, the adjutant's cousin, on paper. This again made quite a volume. It was noon work, as I had to compile from notes, letters, orders, reports, and other papers. What work for the time before I took command! These after. I believe the subject was much more "Dry Saliva" after the command. Now that work is done I feel quite free. Just as I was elating.
This letter comes from your
was from Wally's from Portland.
I felt some very contained bad
news and just of offering him
for some time. I went Wally's foot
and put for a few minutes in the
realize that Wally was dead. But
I did not seem to feel much. I am
much occupied and I think my
really called. What a good fellow
now Wally. How considered. What
a warm welcome at every night. I
believe Wally loved me in his way
very much. No word of reproach or
anger from him. That I can remember
and I think I was not a disrespectful
one to him. How. Wally's characteris-
tics can much like those of my father;
he. While I was under his command,
planet confidence in me and never
went it. Much, manly, almost shown
in his department. An element man
I can trust him. Wally was strong.
judgement or within shining apparel. If he thought a man a vessel, he could not credit any formation. Sure in his intentions and strictly honest in his purposes, I do not wonder that his character grew so great that it did not change on the approach of death. Who can say that he did not keep and keep the commandments—much of his early training made him so through a glass darkly. That Christ's commandments were not so clearly visible as to give him a full assurance I believe, but I expect to meet my noble father in Heaven, for I trust in his ability to live as a wittyly wise. I don't think works save, but fruits tell the character of the tree. May he rest in peace. My poor mother is again alone, but she will be happy in the world. For the present, I hope she will now be able to have a peaceful age, and no more care. That working spirit may be left upon her rest.
...much in the present state... altogether in this... I have... when I leave for... for Mrs. H... when I... with your... I think... with a little... in the... My command... my orders... are all away and... Mrs. H... I have... is not... I have... and... My plan would be... New... to come to... and... one of my... for... I don't know... I would... your... I hope... your... I am... but the... am wrong. I am giving... I am... you about Julia. I am... that you... with... in that... to... that... as an... in every... a practical... No employment...
my heart draws me towards you. With
children, and I am thinking about your
coming West, but the school privileges are
more much better when you are than any-
better in the West that I hesitate about
leaving in preparation to form a new home.
I have been all this while hoping that peace is
not far distant. There is a great deal of
secession sentiment in Georgia, but every
conclusion has been such for a long time
by a peaceful settling. I believe Gen.
Grant will accomplish his portion of
the campaign before winter, if the same
resolution will not put on a different conclusion.
At present it is hard for me to anticipate
when I shall be or what I shall do. Only
do I retain fond of the memory of the "Sean in
no place. And Gen. Donley was the military
commander of the forces along the Nile.
While I shall be able to look upon work
control the entire department or remain
with this portion of the army in the field,
writes every season will be seen. snowman.
If we make a fall winter campaign, I
shall apply soon.
shall doubtless come want one of
the evahmes under him. Does you
wear two contents. I read as to
future movements. If you were at
Richmond Indiana with the children, I
could reach you sooner by having Mr. Balls
in operations. You can think about it Tell
me what you think. I have now got three
letter visitors. Flora Niles. a pretty little lady
on your smaller than mine. Springer
Sydney & Morgan Sydney. Two boys, twins
six years old. They are children of people
who were born in the North. At least
little Flora is. She talks very plainly Huntley
and is a nice little lady. We encountered on
one of the battles formed near Jonesboro.
they brought time. Flora had another one in an
ambulance. We gave them stuff, wages returns
to bring the good fellows. In this wife
from North and she is. Originally. Flora
is amusing all the people from Atlanta
north and south as they individually
speak select. I found Mr. Ballin. Mother
at a word of West Point Mr. Slaves
solomons. They have an elegant house
and the costliest furniture. It looks
cut to be theirs at 40 years old age
of Mr. Brown. I went to their
house and saw Mr. Brown. He was
very tall, and now he seems nearly voice enough
when going to Nashville with us. He
thinks they have gained much by this
many respects to them a good many studies.
Here we again again again from people that
it is all important to get every lesson he
undertakes well. It is not how much, but
how well. I am glad the heat is happy a
trip during this visit. Yes, Grandma will
be very happy with them. Uncle Howland
says she is a dear good girl and James
now does the train with trouble some and
of his. I hope you are well. We have
a beautiful friend here. The neighborhood is
fine

doughnuts, stuffed, this friend, along the entire
line of tents, and another good little is in
my hands near the play staff. One night in
cool and very damp not unpleasant
but almost always a pleasing shade
in fresh air are as the weather is con-
sequent we have had a delightful morning.

I am afraid now we are in full spring
it is again open that the rains will
bring us bad news from Florida. I received
a letter from New York to Charles on our
return to Atlanta. Harris was dying on his
bed growing weaker with a good deal of
fortitude. Both Harris and Witherspoon
attain features are upright men. He has
been a true friend to me and if his
spirit can not seize upon the brightest
of the prospects I love certainly this Sanborn
will and will send them. Well, I
would like to write to him again. I
wished him a happy New Year.

Atlanta

The nomination of Mr. Bellamy
will all be pleasing to you before they
get home. Much love to all the children.

People like Mr. Matties is nothing un
likely next time.
My dear Sir,

I thank you for your attention to my request and your favorable
expression of it. I have an ex-

treme reluctance to trouble you at
the risk of your health while
you are so excessively fatigued,
but you will pardon me for the
interruption. I feel in this serious toy
of mine. I do not know as I
mentioned that he had re-
a commission as Major in the
119th but it had been removed
and that it was unwarranted
at least the regiment being too
large than the First and Sec-

Although suffering from
a thermometer, which sent him to
the hospital for a few days,
he fought steadily on front.
The first movement from Chattanooga in May, through all the Civil forces, led one in the history of the engagement near Chattanooga on the 20th of July. After the
falling much in health he resigned his captaincy, and came home. The majority has
been given to another, but it is
my account of the present
state of the regiment. Having
become strong again he is making
a stand to return to the army.
I am satisfied that the line
service is too hard for them.

He heads to the river in the
battles field, yet his youth
thinks one year for home in
the friendship of the camp.
His arm is still from the
second receipt at Chancellorsville.
Houlton, Maine Sept 24 '64

Maj. General Howard,

My Dear Sir,

I will not take much of your precious time in reading a long letter. You may not remember me, but I have observed your name with the liveliest interest since I think you by the hand on that early morning in Augusta, when you left with the 3 Maine Volunteers. We were born in adjoining towns (Leeds & Monmouth) fitted under the same teacher. Mr. N. J. were who by the way, has returned to the old school again—graduated at the same college, but since then our lives have been as different as the acts of man and hence can make them. I followed the business of teaching about 15 years, lost my wife and our child, lost my health, and finally lost my civil professions if this accursed rebellion. All the best.
a bookstore in Guthluc Randolph County, Georgia, which is about 200 miles south of Atlanta. I owed myself for lost everything I had. Since then I have been keeping a little bookstore in this for away corner of N. E. Maine. Now you know my story in brief, and with it I wish to make a request. If it is practicable I would like to go to Atlanta with a stock of books and stationery and if possible retrieve my lost property. You know all the difficulties in the way and all the advantages. At this distance I know nothing about them. If it is not asking too much I would like to have you return the enclosed invoice, and if you have no more time give me a simple answer to the question: Is it practicable?

Very truly yours,

Milton Welch

May, Gen. O. C. Howard
Augusta, Sept. 23rd, 1864.
Saturday Evening.

Dearest,

I have just arrived from Mrs. Steinor's. I went down to see the Captain, who arrived at four o'clock. I do not think you can possibly come at present. I know you must have a great deal to attend to and cannot show the time. Charlie will come will be at 8 o'clock on Monday. I want him to stay as much as possible. The Captain gave me your message; "I want to send a man with you." I think I will have ample time to get ready. I fear I won't see you before the next campaign and that must not be far distant. I wish I was all over. I can't help being a little impatient sometimes. Grace sent to say she and Mr. Steen will be here in the evening. I shall write them to come and stay with me during the remainder of their visit.

Yours truly, with all love,

[Signature]

P.S. I must close. Must start soon from here.

[Signature]
get it be very cold weather. I like to go by carriage best. I am all quite well now and Buggy is very happy to know we are doing soon to leave the whole house. But I rather dread getting up this old house.

I pray if you stay away much longer you will find me not housekeeping. I think I am able to look after and provide for the welfare of the children, but since I would like to stop. Would not it be splendid if mother could be with me and oversee my commissary department, it would be as much as she ought to do, and be enough to keep her busy. I don't know what to do with fiction and her children but be keep her a while longer. She says she has no idea of marrying this man or hoping to be found by name cotland (already who went with Col. Gard one month before she left Atlanta. I miss it all best hoping something will turn up in my favor before a great while. I miss have very much but as this Woodrow has given us her school to a stranger and it is not as well as it was. I am telling she should stay all winter. I don't know but it is a wrong feeling but I do feel real from rear, and have been angry when she is alone with Grand mother. I do not like to have her or family play with children and fancy they are more civilized than they were and I think puppet does not punish them so severely as she did. But she talked to them in such a way that I abhor but any of my children hear it. Sunday evening you will think. Dearest, that I have opened my mind pretty freely to you of late as regards my trials and troubles, but I told you Atlanta was taken and you now must hear them. I asked last if I go were in earnest when something of making a change of home. She thought you were, if you could get the time and effect the change. If you could get it as often as I like Mrs. Jackson any much, her character is excellent, and she always has a good word for the children. She is with a close parlor's and I will write soon this will come papers that were left at the door the other
U. S. Military Telegraph.

Sept. 25th, 1864

By Telegraph from Louisville 24, 1864

To Gen. Howard

I hereby request permission to ship the special train of goods as Nashville seems disposed to send supplies to fill the transportation. Will forward good soon as train can get and will permit no money to be issued here to pay the troops.

Marble
By Telegraph from Atlanta 25

To: Grant

There is no doubt

Knox has resolved to throw
himself on our flanks to
prevent our accumulating
force to have time to
our not advancing into
Georgia. Some day got possession
of Athens yesterday. I think
I will send a division from
Shorns to Bridgeport and the
balance of the one. You have
lost Rome big Carrier as to
rein case the Enemy puts
himself up west of the
Cocoa. Let Cocoa get all ready

M. C. Sherman
M. Lee
Telegram

June 26th

Dear Sherman,

Relating to the early movements,

Yours,

[Signature]

Sept. 25th 1865
U.S. Military Telegraph.

By Telegraph from Atlanta 26. 1864

To Gen. Howard.

Your brother is here & I will send him to you at 8 o'clock.

L.M. Dayton

A.O.E.
Telegram
Capt. L. M. Dayton
A.D.C.
Sept. 16th 1848

In relation to Genl. C. H. Knowl

[Handwritten text cut off]
Gold was quoted yesterday in Cincinnati at 1175 and in New York at 210.

Also that Sheridan had continued to drive the Rebels up Valley didn't stop to take prisoners but made it a point to demoralize the Rebel Army. It is said he captured 16 pieces of artillery. We are momentarily expecting our sexual report when it comes I will send it to you in full.

Smith
Manager
Atlanta Sept. 24

Relating to Sheridan's
movements up the valley

By Telegraph from

To

...
By Telegraph from Washington

To Maj Gen Sherman

The Richmond Engs

Said Saturday rep that Beauregard has been assigned to the Command of the army in S to that his star ever lead to victory & his very name inspires Confidence of success news comes to the Navy Dept via Memphis & Cairo that Mobile has surrendered. I do not credit it Sheridan has pushed up the Valley to New Market

C. H. Stanton

Sec State
Sept 24th

E. M. Stanton
Sec. War

By Telegram from "Reports"

Relating to Seaward

[Paragraphs of handwritten text]

[Signatures and initials]
Depot Diseases of War.  
Johnnies, Island Ohio, Oct. 23, 1864.

Capt. Gen. O. O. Howard, 
Comdg. army of the Tennessee.

General,

I take the liberty of an old M.E. Disciple 
and former friend, to request your 
good offices in effecting for me a special ex-
change or parole to return South. My reason is 
in brief that my health is failing, and the al-
most certain, of a fatal termination should 
be doomed to fall another malady in prison 
this far north. I was formerly 1st Col. Comdg. 
2nd A.C. Batn. C.S.A. but in the reorganiza-
tion of my command was defeated and thrown 
out. When in charge tended the position of 
vol. A.A.G. in Brig. Gen. Daniels' Staff, in which 
capacity I was serving at the time of my def-
ture in a wounded train just after the battle 
of Gettysburg, July 4th, 1863. To have ever since 
been in prison, and for the last six months 
suffering from Chemic Dysentery and a long 
indisposition to pulmonary disease.

Should you General Evince a disposition to help me
not doubting your ability to do, I feel assured that your services will be met with a cordial spirit by our General J. B. Hood, A.S.C.A. of Tennessee. Regrettting the necessity of troubling you, Gen. with high respect for, and esteem,
Wharton Green,

Vol. A.D.C.

nearly Brig. Gen. Janius Daniels

Carlin Ohio, 18th Nov.

Capt. A.D.C. A.S.C.
Grace is with her Grandmother at N. C. but no help for her. - Sarah is at the G. of York in Richmond. I do not know of any Middle of Oct. I wonder if the G. in Greer is as Williams as here - Ella is quite busy making up the Album of Autumnal leaves. - Clara Davis is still in town - Nellie is engaged in quite a large business of her own. I am not sure what she means to do. - Simon seems to fear that he will not make much. But I think he will do well. Ella joins me in the best wishes."

Washington Sept. 21st
Ella Brother

We have heard nothing from you since March 25th. but do not feel so anxious as we would did we not know that you despaired of him to much to write. My last letter from him was dated at New Orleans the 19th. and as he was to start up river the next week he is probably with you by this time perhaps the Rebel mails here so that I wrote you both as soon as father died. I write you both as soon as G. & L. will go. quite a full acet. of the news which letters I hope you have received. I enclose a letter from Mother by which you will
Notice that her case, her state of health, her affection for her children are telling adversely. But her spirits are high, and I must hope everything closed upon my needs. Mother came to live with us with frequent visits to her other children. With us her religion and social privileges will always be good and she will be among us. A close of Christian people that she cannot be loved, but I shall keep waiting, seeing the future to be wonderfully developed. President knowing 2 the consequence reduce time in the price of gold have caused a very serious feeling throughout the country. The Unionists are coming in fact. Our losses are great. Here have been filled without drafting. Of a very fair set of friends I am delighted. With them our letters to the Mayor of Atlanta - if he has a way of putting things in writing that is almost as good as a victory or a draw. I think the South is very low, and hardly to be found in the market here. Her old friends were disgusted at the platform of Vice President, and the Copperhead her son, has no sympathy in the cause. The Unionists have twice the Chicago Convention all things! Deem a much together as for good to the Union cause. Mother has counted some word in keeping Allan her this fall. Will the 2?
U.S. Military Telegraph.

[Sept. 28, 1864]

By Telegraph from Atlanta 78.

To Maj. Fiskward

Have you had the country
reconnaissance between your
right and Mt. Gilgal Church
bond?

L. Kildare wants to
strengthen his right. If you
Can support his left by
pickets near Mt. Gilgal.

M. L. Elliott

[Signature]
Telegram

General Elliott

Sept. 28th 1863

In regard to reconnoitering the country etc.

I know several individuals have been at work. It is difficult to determine what has been accomplished.

Yours truly,

[Handwritten text]

[Signature]
U. S. Military Telegraph.

September 186

By Telegraph from Kilpatrick 186

To Maj Gen Howard

A column of Rebel cavalry marched up the Chattahoochee river this afternoon on the opposite side and established pickets on the Sweetwater. I have no news that Know is crossing the river if he is crossing, he should or would establish pickets on the Sweetwater.

Kilpatrick

Brig Genl. Comdg
Telegram

Sext 29th 1864

To

A column of Rebel cavalry moved up the Chatta Non.

Received and forwarded.

A. H. H. S.

Joseph D. Hotchkiss
Head-Quarters Department and Army of the Tennessee,

[Signature] Dec. 29. 1864

There are a thousand things that I have been doing that I have hardly contained myself, particular only while we are being invaded. I have tried to get away to inspect the posts and troops in the ships, but here I am sure will be enough, and knowing how soon any action may be required. If I wish for the ship, Mr. [Name] will send it. I write to him in the morning. I am well and trust you are well. We have received no news. Washington may be heard from at any time. I think from a Western trip with them all, I could help getting things together. I've met Mr. Smith (Bobby) and wife, meeting at Louisville and then coming their own child. If anything should...
Hence to one of the children in consequence
of the season, we would reflect much upon things,
and it might be not only pleasant duty
profitably beneficial to the children, if
I should send home whole books or an
account. New England may be thus as seen by
myself, three years and think, but deserves
to do so. We then—send for best
Mrs. Bairs to come to Atlanta. I would be
delighted to see if you were included in the
party then. We would not wish you over the road
from Nashville to Atlanta. Would like get
back, but the journey is a little trip. A bad condition
occurred on the Nashville and what a amount of
many gave in their traitor, but I escaped. Three or
more things worse on the same time—The
leading one get off the track. The very car
with which they left me signal went. So that
I will receive a draft for 200 on the
Apt. Louisiana No. 218. It has been
Leavetlde August 16th, 1863. You will
be the orders of Mrs. E. H. House. You have
not written me either a check or a
letter from Ohio because of my ignorance
and receipt. I think it started about the middle
of August. I think it was 130 dollars. That was
sent August 16th. I have the reply
from the Byrnes company. John Mathison
to all the children. Now and then little
words were about every thing. Then—now
in mother's in Elinor's at home. You were thinking. Wiping his head, when
you asked about your letter. I have written
you since. With much love and
commending you to the Loving.

Otis.
General:

Your permit to Mr. George F. Marle to establish a store at your camp under General Sherman's Order of Sept. 17 was this day presented to me by his partner Mr. Porter.

Neither General Sherman's order nor your permit names the monthly amount of goods to be permitted, but names two and a half tons per day. This Mr. Porter estimates will amount to $5,000, or $6,000 per day, or $150,000; and upwards per month.

I have granted them authority for $25,000, per month, which will answer for their present shipment. I also promised to communicate with you and General Sherman upon the subject, and if you desired they should have so large a
monthly amount, and would so state in your letter, I would give the authority and instructions to permit officers to carry out your wishes.

I have written to General Sherman calling his attention to the matter, and will feel obliged if you will confer with him and inform me by telegraph of the result.

I have suggested that the amount be divided, and the same rule be applied by you which I have adopted in regard to Supply Stores generally; viz, to confine them exclusively to persons who have lost their health or limbs in the service of the Country.

I shall be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience, and will carry out your wishes whatever they may be, the amount
of supplies her months being stated in your permit.

Iam Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

W.P. Mellen

General Agent Treasury Department

Major General O.O. Howard

Commanding Dept. of the Tennessee

East Point, Georgia.
Augusta, Sept. 30, 1864.

Dear [Name],

I have been wanting to write and wish to write you all this night, but it is almost too late to accomplish much. Dr. Duncan came Monday. I have not time to write you all about his stay at Augusta, I have little time to tell you. He next goes to the State House in the same evening, started to deliver your letter and write to [Name] and I coming up Bridge St. I tried to look after [Name] and hear this officer coming and I recognized me by the photograph of you here. I called on him then the next morning, something to engage his carriage on my way down to take them it to the State House in the afternoon. I found, he had just arrived of me. I had invited them to come to the house from the Stove where all must to take tea but one the Gilbert.
came in with a message from his wife to spend the night and next day with them. I consented to this but I am immediately to return home as I feared they would leave the following morning and my visit would be my escort. I invited Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg and Mr. and Mrs. Whittaker to meet them in the evening at supper. The next morning I persuaded them to remain one day longer. Then I went for Mrs. P. and Mary to come to dinner, and Mr. and Mrs. Whitt cut the tie and Mary to dinner. I wanted to see the first evening but could not get over to then with the cattle for the 8.30 a.m.

I hope his visit to Maine was a pleasant one.

Do you an original character? He has a very interesting little wife. We are well, and dinner still at 7 o'clock. I hope to go out there soon. I wish to see whatever may come. I think Charlie will come home but I hardly expect you at present. I have a pleasant letter from your the book. Good night from you.

Your loving Edie
Sheltonova, Tenn. September 30th, 1864

General,

Having had the honor and pleasure of serving in the fourth Army Corps during the late successful campaigns in Atlanta, as well as the entire time you commanded the same, as First Commanding the Rifled Section of the 5th Ind. Battery, and as the battery is soon to be mustered out of the Service, together with its officers and being anxious to still serve the cause, in some capacity after a brief visit home, I desire (if agreeable to you) a letter of recommendation to the Military authorities of our State.

I am aware that in making this request I ask for more than I could anticipate; but I have served for the last three years and three months, upon every field of strife, and at all times, to truly and faithfully discharge my duties as a soldier, and now at the close of my term of enlistment I wish to continue the service and your letter will assist me in obtaining the desired position in view.

 Truly grateful for your many words of cheer and encouragement, upon some of the battle fields of the late eventful and memorable campaigns.

I remain yours...

Geo. Wm. M. Brown

Com. Dept. of Tenn.