

W. S. Pent Hospital
Point of Rocks, Va.
Dec. 31st 1864.

My Dear Emmy.

Yours of the 26th is received. I hardly know what to say for having remained so long, silent, but when I received yours of last week. I had no place to write in, and since then, have tried twice to answer it, but, succeeded so poorly, that I gave it up, and concluded to wait till your next, which by the way, is two days later this week, than usual.

I wish that I had answered yours of last week, as it is much better than this, some parts of which I do not like at all. But will not go into particulars, some parts of yours are not like at all. But will not go into particulars, I have got situated in my new house at last, and it is

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My Dear Emmy,
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I wish that I had answered yours of last week, as it is much better than this, some parts of which I do not like at all, But will not go into particulars, I have got situated in my new house at last, and it is a very pleasant place. I have got

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pital, but things are not at all settled
here yet, and I have not said much
about a furlough yet, for it would be
likely to injure my prospects here
if I were to leave just now.

I mean to get home before
Spring, however. You can see
by my writing, that I am not in
the mood for writing letters now,
but I must write, or you will
think that I have "done gone dead".

The fact is, that writing letters,
has become a confounded nuisance.
I would like to make a
bargain with you, that you will
twice a week, and I not write any
and when I get home, I will
answer them all at once,
answer them all at once.

I am glad that you enjoy
going to singing school, and that
you are trying to enjoy yourself
as much as possible.

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The fact is, that writing letters, has become a confounded nuisance. I would like to make a bargain with you, that you will write twice a week, and, I not write any and when I get home, I will answer them all at once.

I am glad that you enjoy going to singing school, and that you are trying to enjoy yourself like a sensible woman.

You have never written
me anything about Annie, that
has pleased me so much, as
that she is kind, and treats
your little nigger neighbor, well.
It is a most despicable
trait of character, to ill use, any
person that we feel, is below us
in society, and I hope my little
girls, will never be guilty of it.

About the
money that the town voted to
pay me; if they voted three hun-
dred dollars, I do not understand
how Mr Buck, proposes to settle
it with two, and you need not
do anything about it till I come
home. There is a prospect
of being now in a few weeks,

If you need any money, I wish
you would borrow it, and I will

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If you need any money, I wish you would borrow it, and I will send you enough to pay it as

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to stop writing. If I was with
you there is enough, that I wish
to say, to keep me buzzing till
daylight, but it is of no use to
try to write.

I have another pic-
ture, to send you,
How do you like it.

Yours truly
Leander

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to stop writing. If I was with
you there is enough. that I wish
to say, to keep me buzzing till
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ture to send you,
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