

Camp 9th M.H. Val

Annapolis Md. April 9th 1864

My Dear Uncle

We arrived here day before yesterday the 7th inst- and have hardly got settled down into camp life yet- but I improve the first opportunity to write a few lines to you I received the box with letter from you enclosed at the Gast House Cincinnati all right- and in good shape and in good time, we have received to large mails since our arrival here but I received nothing from Home and I feel very anxious to hear from Mother I should get a leave of absence immediately if it were possible but as am in very good health now and the only officer in the Co it is impossible to get away at present but I am expecting the Capt back from N.H. every day as all about officers belonging to the 9th A.C. have been ordered to report immediately It is not known yet how long we are to remain here or when we are to go when we have several of the officers who could have gone Home on ~~7~~ 30 days leave The Colo is trying to get a leave from the War Dept for all of the old soldiers belonging to the Regt to go Home on 30 days furlough but I hardly

think he will succeed although I earnestly
hope he may for I think they all desire
it - My health is much better than it was
when I wrote you at Lancaster Key but I am not
very strong yet and am so poor that it takes
about ~~two~~ of me to make a shadow but I think
I shall soon regain my usual health as our present
locality is said to be a very healthy one
I will write again as soon as a better opportunity
offers itself, but I have much to do for several
days as there has been no Co business done since
we left Point-Burnside Feb 27th

Hoping this may find you and Aunt
enjoying better health than when I
last wrote, and to hear from you again
soon I remain as ever your affectionate
nephew

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