

Camp Daggett Oct 23/62

Dear Father Mother & sister

Good morning, it is a fine morning here and we have got our quarters comfortable for winter. For our tent we bought two hundred feet of pine boards for four dollars we made a pen that looks like the pig pen there at home, put our tent on top which makes quite a house; bought a sheet iron stove & spiders at Georgetown for two dollars & a quarter, which makes it quite comfortable. My health is good, havnt been troubled with the summer complaints since I wrote last. There is a report in camp that an Officer will be here in a few days to enlist for the

regular army for three or five
years I dont know for certain
which? The inducements are
seventy-five dollars bounty the
rest due us three months pay
from the time we enlisted
and thirty days furlough
at the time we enlist for
the Regulars and forty days
furlough during the year.
I thought I write and see
what you thought about it
quite a number of the boys
say they are going into the
Regular Cavalry. And I think
if we have to stay here
three years it would be
the best place. Some are
going in the Navy though
I know nothing of the
inducements only by report
One of the 5th Oneida boys
were here day before yesterday

(James Paggan) ^{said he} he didn't know
 me at first my hair being
 cut off short ~~and~~ my face
 so thin, I havent much news
 to write had a light frost
 here last night the first
 I have noticed. write soon,
 Give my love to all and
 keep a good share yourself
 From your son, to all.

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