I thought I should be able to hand you a remittance in this letter, but am not able to do so. I have my pay account made out and intended to go to the sutler's to get it cashed today, but it began to rain and I went on reading my novel. By the way, Messrs. Hunt gave me five a day by a soldier returning from furlough. One of them he bought for me at my request, where he picked up all the others I have in mind. They seem to come in very good play down here when one manages to wring the stupid kind of a book. I have read more novels this winter than in any three years for the past dozen. I wish John Hunt had got among us, as I feel like reading it, although having so very high opinion of the author.

I don't know whether I am particularly stupid or not, or whether this paper bother me with its toughness, so that I can not such along Current, Calamity has been my work, but to it is, that I have hardly succeeded in putting this sheet. Robert I suppose will be in bed again before this reaches you. If he wants to see me, I suspect he will have to come down here, as I doubt whether I shall be allowed to go there.

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Miss [illegible] letter: I accept of the 27th this evening which contained the red envelope, I have read my letter, it is the politest. It seems very much more than two days since I wrote, yet my name remains from allows me to, but just ten days since my letter was mailed. Had I not taken much of my attention in the Redfield, I should be annoyed at Robert's conduct, which is wholly unaccountable to me. He has been very, I know, and little too, but his conduct in everything he has attempted to do me, to you, it has come to my knowledge does not indicate much coming. That may, it seems for giving the biddiness any reflecting whatever, and though I fail to become the place, the reader my application very serious, the more important and be to me before in any attempt I might make to get a better place. What shall I say of his writing to Sheldon? It was such a extraordinary thing for a man for his books to be quit of. He mm, if I am not supposed to know the contents of my application from Sheldon. I believe that he wanted into all his influence to defend one another to might have no other idea than his own. You may judge of my temper when I learned that he had written it. It is the subject I am afraid Robert is not much of a politician or political manager with understanding the time he has spend in politics. And I write before I should be much annoyed, if the place had not been removed of its attractions. For me by the amendment of the house I have written all about the in former letter and it is not necessary to repeat further now. Had the bill himself as he passed the house if I were, length that I should have failed to get the place.
I am inclined therefore to be rather dissatisfied with the action of the Senate than I should have been with the loss of the place had it lost none of its attraction by legislative action. I think it was the third number of novels and home papers which I thought showed the State had about exhausted its supply - the second pleased me as much as the first.

We are still at Nashville, but expecting orders to leave every day. Why they don't come we cannot understand. My Brigade Surgeon has orders to stay the rest of the Staff will get them to-morrow. The Head Quarter of our Tempo are at Bowling Green and we shall be ordered up there as soon as they can be had to take our places here. It has rained nearly all day, this with the recent bad weather may put off the movement for some time. I thought it possible that we might be left there even after the army moved for a short time, but as Gen. Warren is so anxious to get the Corps together I think it altogether unlikely now. The convenience or comfort of troops is not constant much.