

Justin Dimmick has died of this wound.
I saw Charly Sears this evening, - he
told me he would put up those flowers
to-morrow. He thinks some of going
to Brenton. His mother is still sick but
they think better to-day. - Lt Held who
is on that ~~part~~ picture of the Court Mar-
tial lost his leg at Chancellorsville.
Sally V. & the Stumpers came to see me
yesterday. They brought the paints
and got the flowers. This is the only
call I have had from the ladies so
far. - Mrs McE. had quite a tea-
fight on Friday night. I was respect-
fully invited but didn't go. They kept
it up till quite late and enjoyed
themselves very much I suppose, as they
made a great deal of noise. - Now
I shall expect a good long letter
from you on Thursday giving full
accounts of our dear little ones and
the other dear ones. Think of it it is
nearly six months since I saw Sella
and Frank. I feel very homesome and
desolate since you have gone away &
shall rejoice when we can meet a-
gain without the possibility of a speedy
separation. Give my love to all the friends
and Mother Sella and Frank & Robbie with
kisses from me. Love them, L.P.P.

Fort Hamilton
May 10th 1863.

My dear Wife:

I suppose you are safely
at home and now pretty well re-
covered from your long and tiresome
ride. The sight of dear Sella and Frank
I imagine was enough of itself to
enable you forget your fatigue,
to say nothing of the many other
dear ones who were anxiously ex-
pecting you. I would have given
almost anything to have been there
to enjoy your arrival.

We saw so little of each other
the last day that I scarcely know
who you saw the day you left.
The Col. I think was not of the
number, judging from the con-
dition he was in when I reached
home. He was no better the next
day and the Court Martial was ob-
liged to adjourn over to Saturday

to enable him to straighten up.

I went to the mess on Saturday having lived upon the remainder of our provisions on Friday. I am pretty well pleased with the mess & think I shall take my meals there on account of its convenience, particularly in case of sickness.

Capt Putnam is getting better but is not yet able to come out. His case led me to think that on the whole it was better to go into the mess. He would have a hard time getting anything to eat, if he were boarding with Mr Bigelow. From the table as far as I have seen it, I think the mess is paying a good deal too much for what they get. The same fare ought to be furnished for a good deal less money, and would be if the caterer would devote more of his time to the interests of the

mess. But that is scarcely to be expected.

I went to Town yesterday to get my watch. Saw Grebin on the street and had a little talk with him about home. He left after the Val. riot had been suppressed & gave me some of the particulars of that affair. Notwithstand-
I should like to hear from John Howard on the subject. Tell him, if he has recovered from that breach of promise case, - I should like to hear what he has to say on the subject. - By the way, tho' I intend to write to him in a day or two, I wish you would get him or Mr Ferris to inquire whether my policy on our house will be affected by the present arrangement. I do not suppose it will be, but inquiry might or will be made of the Mutual Ins. Co. on the subject & if necessary get their consent to it.