

Fort Hamilton N.Y. A

August 15<sup>th</sup> 1864

My Dear Mrs Brew

I intended writing you some time since but have delayed it for various reasons.

You will doubtless be surprised as finding me at this post when we have both of us passed ~~so~~ many pleasant hours. I left the regiment on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of this month, my foot which was injured last fall having become so painful that the surgeons informed me that to ease it I must leave the field. Many changes have taken place in the regiment, and we have been called to mourn the loss of many of our comrades but the loss of none fell so heavily upon us, as that of our Major. I was near him in all the battles, prior to the one in which he was wounded, and can testify to the cool manner he led his regiment. I was with him when he was placed in the Ambulance to be sent to Belle Plaine, and have with me the sobers Birch which he gave me at the time. I enclose the letter



which you kindly wrote to me on the  
13<sup>th</sup> of June and the tone of it was so cheer-  
-ful that I was certain that I should soon  
have the pleasure of taking him by the  
hand. His horse he left in my care  
and it is still with the regiment.

It is his private property and I have  
been desirous of informing you what disposition  
has been made of it. When I left  
I put it in care of Capt Stanhope now  
commanding the regiment. My intention  
is if I return to the field at the expense of  
my own to purchase the animal & send  
you the amount, if I do not go back I  
I wish to buy it. I suppose that  
it will be your wish to sell it as the  
trouble and expense of getting it to you  
will be great. I shall know in the  
course of two days when my status will  
be. I should be pleased to hear from  
you and know your wishes in the  
matter.

Inclosed I send a letter which  
I write & which refers to some things

which the Reg sent out of the field, just  
before the campaign opened.

If you will let me know if  
they have reached you I will drop  
you pretty a line.

There is a possibility of my  
being ordered West & if so I shall  
 endeavor to call at Dayton.

With respect regards to yourself  
and love to little Bobbie & the other  
children I remain

Very truly Yours

Geo. Crozier



Mr Coates - ✓

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