May 5, 1861

My DearCTLieut.

I am so much obliged to know what is going to be done with the Army of the Cumberland. I cannot put anything in the papers at all reliable or satisfactory, Government has taken the railroad for some time to come and for whom or for what I do not know. I should like to know, if possible, some time during one of these mornings with the rest of the morning's work to step in and out of the pleasure of anticipation. I feel it unsettled and forgetful yesterday, and cannot settle myself down to read in my position the same as set on the table, getting down right away that it would be a great disappointment if anything should be able to stop in until late this evening. I have almost gave up the thought until hope. Grandpa, Douglass, and our families will be here. The result of this week or the first of next. Your are always with us. My love.
I'm a bit busy today, but I'll be sure to write you soon. I was so pleased to hear from you, and I hope you are doing well.

I'm doing well too, thank you. I'm busy with some work, but I enjoy it. I've been spending a lot of time reading and writing letters.

As for Charlie, he's doing well. He's been working hard and seems to be enjoying it. I'm proud of him.

I've been thinking about our trip to Philadelphia. I'm looking forward to seeing all the sites and meeting new people. It will be a great opportunity to learn more about the history and culture of the area.

I hope we can make it happen someday. I'll start planning it soon.

Take care of yourself and stay healthy. I'll write you soon.

Yours truly,

[Your Name]
Home—They expect you now to send word for Dutch to meet
him Philadelphia if he gets home soon for which oc-
casion Dutchie is making haste a new desk still—If they
are sure he will take many Mulai they’d be glad he
In writing a little & for Monday of what Charlie
is doing as you as I know he is only looking about
Bennings Hotel & such places he tells me several
weeks since that there were so many openings
in hotel room which to get in & do the same
time that one he had written to you for purpose
mentioning that he was discharged from the circus,
said she had look for wanted & should until
the same to your which I did so after
I suppose you know Johnson has gone into partnership
with Bennings in the Hotel—guy Farnsworth of
the interest attached to him & Charlie while they have
regular “boy in blue” is about as an end—I sometimes
feel it will the same way with all such hopes not. They tell
at least have the satisfaction of an approving content
feeling that they did their duty to them—w. Ohman
as American—Their fame we believe will increase
rather than diminish through many generations
It will be as a precious lesson for your children &
I have kept the pen at home writing bright letters to my absent one by letter full of just loving tenderness. Sometimes trembling with fear, again agreeing with grateful hearts. Shall we live as in a more humble way, hence to places in tradition and memory, if not in eternity here.

The lessons of the Revolution I would like to have clear to times, even just a little. Love us much, I promise we a little more, shall be better satisfied, then those who have known as gallantly, many cruel breaths on many bloody fields. Well, may clear in the midst of as much, to make us glad & hopeful, we shall have some bright days. Every thing now comes all right just as soon as. It was through the influence of the Copperheads with the election at their lead. But they have been influenced to send Milligan back again to this may. I pray not. Have given them up. I am with the sinning Know.Your potatoes all rolled out of the long. Down the hill. I can't pretend to do justice to the subject. I don't say any more. I beg a kind of pleasure and kind of cute. Now I want to know what you said about...