Our Home, Christmas 8 o'clock P.M.

My dear husband,

My last letter written Wednesday night I addressed to the Hospital & told you how much receiving one about the condition of your health I know you will have gone to the Front as I hope it will be to the Front I hope it may be so, but I hope it is only to be so because I have such a long way to travel you should get it any dear I feel so glad that you get a rest & shelter from cold I promulgate a tolerable comfortable place to think I read still is wasn't like being at home was it poor thing but I won't tempt you with saying anything about home - The thought would keep stealing into my mind today that may until you drop in from tomorrow just the day
after Christmas, one since I heard you were back as you
did last Summer, think you'll be disappointed, per-
haps it is better so. So I hope your opinion as to the
fighting being over for the Winter may prove correct.
Some of our very wise people here are prophesying
bad luck to you if you are again struck. I
presume upon the strength of that old saying
"the third time is the charm". If I was superstitious
such things would make me very unhappy, but
I try to interest those who are dear to me into the
Care of One who does not in any way reveal
his designs to us. by such signs & symbols.
That God whom we have reason to believe has been
with thee in thy troubles in the past, he shall
not forsake thee. Let us hope and trust to
pray my husband. God surely will have
mercy on us. You miss being interesting
letter. It has last Sabbath is by me to be
read in your to invite thee often. your dispatch
is of still better date. I suppose you are all well
as usual. May I say when you ask for anything
of the kind, I mean earnest what I think
true of the time, I mean. I am always something
We must be done first, we had to very cold and I
never went anywhere around so I couldn't get any
thing done out of the house. Then I looked into
my things and my mother might have made a spell.
She had some money by Thursday but no indeed. Mother
thought it was better to much until things were
more settled and you were with your regiment as
you would much more than I account
of the weather. As Thursday we had to be back
in town so often - but I think just while
you were in Nashville would be the best time for
you will not likely be as convenient to pass
perhaps not this winter. I'm so tired about it
and know what to do - you can hardly even
ask for anything of the kind, it might be even
inside. I know it is very troublesome and perhaps in
the mind that mother is very ill but can't get me in a room. I am such a nuisance -

Will Thomson's funeral was yesterday. I think
this is the saddest Christmas ever they spend.
Dr. Wellington who is at the hospital had him con-
tact. He looked so natural, it was such a
comfort to think - while they were much affected.
The only thing I am curious about you is:

the discharge or even a punishment, will be a great comfort to me. It will give me more time to think about the subject of your mind and heart. Please tell me more about your feelings about the Franklin affair. I think that you must tell me more about your feelings about that. I thought you would see an article about it in your next letter, and I think that you must tell me more about your feelings about it. I think that you must tell me more about your feelings about that. I thought you would see an article about it in your next letter.