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≡≡≡ Va camp near Palmyra

Dear wife and children I now
take my pen in hand to let
you know that I am well
at present and hope that
these few lines will find
you all the same but I have
not had any letters from home
since I left there now I want
to hear from there very
much I have looked for a letter
along time and have got
none now site as soon as
you get this I expect that
we will go into a fight to
morrow or next day at Free
burg it is very cold here
now I cant write very much
for we have marching orders
and I am busy when you site
let me know how father
and mother is and your
mother is and all the rest

now I will bid you all
good by for this time I will
rite more the next time &
rite to you I will rite as
soon as I get achance the
boyes dont like it very much
because I was put in order
for I have made them clean
up thay was about one inch
dep with dirt when I came
hear they said it was all
played out the Lutenant
toald me to day that the
comperes was fifty Dollars
beter allhead, I have maid
them cut theat heat and
wash up it makes them
look beter soo good by kiss
your self and children
for me good by and good
bles yous all from Schndt yours
to Rosetta B. Young

Mrs. Rosetta B. Young.

Elmira. Chemung.

Co. N. Y.

19th,

Direct your letter
to, Ft. 2nd Batt -
14th Infantry, U.S.A -
to John M. Young,
Washington
D.C.

This I found in one
of our fathers letters