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Letter from S. Howard (Chazy, N.Y.) to her son, Henry Carlton, January 7, 1863

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Chazy January 7, 1863

Dear Henry your welcome
letter is just received. How
relieving us of great anxiety it is
nearly four weeks since we got a letter
from you & you say you have not had
a letter from us in two months I have
answered all your letters promptly ~~and~~
I have thought there was some letters you
did not get one that Betsy and I wrote
when she was at home and another that
Celesta and I wrote I think they were
directed to the Regiment the last
letter I had from you before today you spoke
of having some Butter and some other things
sent you from home that letter I answered
telling you to send on your orders and they
should be filled to the best of my ability
~~that I~~ ^{that I can} ~~forget~~ ^{forget} you
do not think my dear boy that is not so

do you think that I can forget
that you have sacrificed all the comforts
of home and the enjoyments of society and
endured so much suffering to be forgotten
by me never while memory or life lasts
shall I forget you. and now Henry

are you going to stay there and die do not
be over anxious about what people will say
Zemuel Brando said you look at Gen Wallace
says the same but says if you join the Regiment
you can get a furlough I know - it would be
hard to come home when your time is so
near out but if your life depends upon it
do not hesitate any longer.

The friends of William Guiney are
much alarmed about him the last
news they had from him he was in the
Convalescent Hospital at Keper's Ferry that
was in October I have been requested to ask
you to make inquiry for him and if you
get any clue to his whereabouts let us
know for his wife is nearly crazy about him

it is past ten o'clock and I must finish
my letter for Mr He is going to the corners
in the morning I am alone again my
dishwasher has gone to Danmore to stay
a few weeks she has been at home most of
the fall last Sunday afternoon Moses came
down after Bet they left Monday morning
I shant try to tell you how lonesome
I am when she is gone

I have just got ~~at~~ a letter
from Mrs Williams she had a letter
from Daniel 3 weeks ago he is in Memphis
Tenn and is well but did not expect to
stay there long she said she had a
letter from you some time ago

I will write again when the Capt
goes it is late and I cant hardly see
so good night

your mother

L Howard

Henry & Carlton