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## Letter from S. Howard (Chazy, N.Y.) to her son, Henry Carlton, January 22, 1863

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Chazy Thursday Jan 22, 1863

Mr Howard has  
been to the Corners today and got  
your letter and being alone I thought I  
would write some this afternoon I don't feel a bit  
well I have a cold seated on my lungs and a  
head cough which kept me awake last night  
and today I feel tired and old. Bet is at  
Dunmore yet so Ma and I have to do the  
work. but I think I will feel better in a few  
days Mr H got a couple of nice handkerchiefs  
so I will send one to you so you may have a good  
handkerchief to use on the weary home

now Henry don't think me foolish I would  
not ask you to make the sacrifice. if your health  
did not demand it the Capt said the first time I saw  
him I am afraid Henry will die if he does not come  
North. Fr Brande said the same

Friday afternoon I am going to send  
you some things the same as if you did not talk of  
coming home and if you come dispose of them as you  
think best except the Butler that will keep till  
May in a cool place

now Henry my dear Boy you must  
not think that coming for twenty days  
or forty days will cure you I know better  
than that you have been sick too long your  
stomach and Bowels and your whole system  
are ~~too~~ too much deranged, to be cured in  
a hurry you need the most careful nursing  
and that you shall have if you come  
Alphonso Mc Fadden is at home sick he got discharged

William Winters and his wife were here this  
week he is not able to do anything but a few  
light chores his limbs are so weak that he totters  
around like a little child he said he thought  
his life was worth more to himself and his  
family than his Country would be without him  
O life is precious

Sunday 25 this is a  
warm pleasant day we are having a  
very mild winter with but very little  
snow. Algiers is feeling anxious and troubled  
about Messier they dont hear any thing from  
him since the Battle at Muespresborough the 19<sup>th</sup>  
Illinois Regt to which he belongs were in the  
fight

there is between 11 and 12 pounds of Butter  
our fall Butter was sold before you wrote  
for some I took some I had saved for winter use  
and a churning of winter butter and work'd  
it together it may look streaked but I guess  
it won't taste bad I will send you a  
piece of Cheese it is not verry good be careful  
and dont eat but a little at a time and I  
will send a few price Cakes if they can be got  
into the Box and a couple of pairs of socks

The Money you sent and the  
note all were received safe  
there is a rumour afloat that Burnside is  
having another fight but the rumour needs  
confirmation write as soon as you get this

I want to know if  
you get the things

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Monday morning

Henry I cant go  
to the corner this morning and Mr  
Howard thinks the cakes and cheese  
cant be got into the Box but you come  
home and you shall have some