

Office of the Treasurer of Franklin County

Malone, N. Y. May 20, 1862

Calvin Wells, Esq.

Dear Sir. I inclose the answer to my dispatch which I received this morning. In consequence of the lightening no answer could be got through until this morning.

So much delay has occurred in its transmission that I have not thought it best to wait until I could hear from you but have telegraphed to have the body of your son sent by Express to Bangor. I sympathize most deeply with you in your affliction.

Yours & c

Wm. G. Dickinson.

Vermont & Boston Telegraph Company  
between  
Boston, Montreal and Ogdensburgh.

May 20, 1862

By telegraph from New York 19th.  
To W.G. Dickinson

Wells died yesterday. Shall I send the body to Malone or have it buried here.

J. D. Fiske

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The following note is on brown wrapping paper, apparently torn from a larger piece. The note is not dated.

The Potsdam Reg't is here & there is about 200 of them on the sick list - there is a good many in this Reg't & more in Wolffs than any other because it is not formed so much of French and Irish. It is hard work to lye on the ground. I must close by bidding you good bye

J. P. Wells  
Direct Washington D. C.  
98 Regt. N.Y.S.V.  
Co. G

I have to write on my knee.