

College Green Barracks

Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 1863

Dear Parents & Sister

I received your letter to day  
with money all right. & ☺  
Those demand notes are worth  
just the same as gold viz  
1.49 $\frac{1}{2}$  on every dollar (but I)  
cannot get any thing extra  
here with them

About my deserting - About  
a week before we left Aldie  
I tipped some hot coffee  
on my right foot & burned  
it some & while marching  
took cold in it, & on the  
morning of the 12<sup>th</sup> of July  
Lieut Smith went & got  
a pass from the doctor for  
me to fall out of the rank  
I've got that pass now

Smith is the only officer  
we have & it the Sergeants  
that threw away his Rifle  
& equipments at Kanows  
Court House & run 28 miles  
back to camp.

I dont see how you can  
have got this other 20  
since the 100. for I was  
not paid the 100. until  
the 24<sup>th</sup> of June & no one  
can draw my pay. Another  
mistake probably. Well  
Uncle Sam can afford to  
lose a little. Did you  
not hear from me direct  
while I was on the Island  
I wrote 2 times to you while  
there. This pen I found  
& have been offered 100 for  
it I think it is gold & if  
it is it is worth 5 dollars

I was in hopes to hear  
that Uncle Daniel was  
better. I am well & hearty  
never better in my life  
except an almighty sore  
mouth. We have been ~~physic~~  
physicked almost to death  
since we came back here  
I wrote to the Reg<sup>t</sup> as soon  
as I got here but have not  
heard from there yet, as soon  
as I hear I will write to you  
I shan't want a Dog at  
present We shall move from  
here up to Camp Parole soon  
& then I may send for one  
Camp Parole is about one  
mile from here. There is  
a story going that we are  
all exchanged but I guess  
not We go around here  
any where we please

There is no Guards here  
I suppose I am on my  
last year certain 2 yrs ago  
to day I was mustered  
into Service. I see Frank's  
sons Descriptive Roll dated  
from the 27<sup>th</sup> of Aug  
But I must stop

Yours Truly

J. G. Green

Write soon