

Near Petersburg Va

Camp of 22^d Reg^t July 15th 1864

Dear Parents & Sister

Well it's in middle of
July & I still on the muster
roll as present, 2 months
from to-night our time is up
What do you think of Rebels now
won't they scare Washington
loafers this time. I pity them
It is a disgrace to the coun-
try. Grant better form a line
on the Potomac & Ohio rivers
& hold that line if he can.
Grant wants men, not things
who enlisted for the Bounty.
Government never ought to
have given a cent as bounty
Men should have been drafted
Good & Poor together

After so long a time I
send for my rifle.

We are to form a Battalion
of 200 & to be attached to
5th Corps Headquarters

You will have to pay the
Express & send the Price to
me as you do one for a Prop.
The officer who is to command us
is coming on to Washington
himself & bring them to us
Direct in this way

P. E. Green,

2^d Co 88

22^d Mass Regt

To be cared for Washington D.C

I saw some of the Ballard
rifles to-day. If you did not
exchange it, just send it on
for it will go it, but they are
very light. I saw 3 different
kinds of them 2 long ones about
26 inch barrels & one short one

about 20 inch barrel one of
them had long telescopic & the
others had short ones.

They got 7 at our time &
the price of them was 50.
One I saw in another Company
cost 75 & another 60 & all
came from Read & Son's
It dont seem as though it
had been over a month
since we crossed James
River. No rain yet
Send the Rifle as soon as
possible & be sure & tell the
Express Company that it is
to remain a few days in the
Washington Office. I shall
have to give the Receipt
that you send me to the
officer that is to command
us so he can get it

Hoping to hear from
 you soon I remain
 Yours truly
 L. E. Green