

Transcript of Letter from Viola Adams to John L. Ham, October 14, (1862?)

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West Bath. Oct. 14

Friend John

I received your letter or rather note tonight and am going to give you a scolding the first thing I do. here I have been looking for a letter from you ever since I got home. and now for you to write such a little short one I think you are mean. there I feel better now after having got that off. And my picture that you were going to send me I dont see any thing of that. We are all well at present. I am going to school down to the pond. I like firstrate.

So you like a soldiers life do you? I am glad of it. I will give you Gills address now. Camp. E. D. ~~Keys~~ Keyes. 21st Reg. Co. Capt Hunt-- Waterman Bryant is'ent going. he has got out of it. somehow. I would'ent do that if I enlisted I would'ent back out I'll bet. would you. I got home nicely. those plums were very nice indeed. I want you to write again and write a good long letter. and send me that picture you promised me. I have got Gills and Ode's and I want yours to go with them. I want to get all the "brave soldier boys's,/, pictures I can. so be sure and send yours \-lent you. Jennie Garlen is here yet I belive she is going home tomorrow. I dont know as I have any news of any importance to write - It is very sickly here now. little George Mitchell was buried last Saturday . he died of typhoid fever. fear more of

the family are down sick with the same. There I have written considerable more than you did now, so I guess I will close. Be sure and write now and do not forget that picture. if you do I will haunt you. I have got to go and write composition now, and I hate it awfully

Excuse all bad writing for I am in a hurry.

good night

with my best wishes

I sign myself—

Viola Adams—

John L. Ham.