

St Inigoes August 2nd 1865

Miss Susan

You need not have thought for a moment that your letter, or post script, to your Mother's letter would receive any other but a hearty welcome from me; I was truly glad to hear from you, yet I am sure it was not your fault that I had not heard from you before that time; it's a source of great consolation to know that obstacles which have debared me from the enjoyment of that pleasure, have been removed.

Your Mother, as well as your self, has granted me the privilege of corresponding with you a privilege I hold very dear.

And as I have the liberty, I will try my utmost to awaken from its slumbers, the old friendship that has remained quiet, and undisturbed for so long a time.

I am now writing by the bed-side of one of my comrades in arms, who is very sick, he had a very severe chill, and at this time has a raging fever, he will soon be better I hope.