

Johnson Island Ohio

Dear Cousin

February 1st 63-

Your very interesting letter came to hand in due time I was as I am always very glad to hear from you. I am better than when I last wrote though not entirely well yet but hope the time will soon come when I will be well. The weather is not as cold as it has been, but there is no certainty in the weather in this country. one day the thermometer will be at zero and the next day, it will be forty degrees above zero, which makes it great deal worse on us having lived in the South where it is warm. And decidedly more comfortable to us than this climate is. I have written to the Examiner of Espies for Insures of War, and he says the Medals Case and Comfort did not come. They were not even extracted on the road, between here and Annapolis. I am sorry I cannot be able to get the Permit for the articles you spoke of. I am not sick enough myself, to get the Permit. If you receive a letter from a Sick man in Hospital will you send the box. When you write let me know. And if you do get it write to me. And let me ^{know} two or three days before starting the box. I feel very much flattered at you being so well pleased with the Photograph I sent you. I am sure I will be pleased when I get yours. Hoping to hear from you very soon I will close

Your Devoted Cousin
Thomas H. B. Duffly