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Camp of the N. Regt Mass
 Near Sandy Station Va
 January the 20th 1864
 My dear Mary & all

Dear Daughter
 I sit down with pleasure
 to write those few lines to
 you and mother and Martha
 and Margaret and Johnny hope
 to the Lord that this will find
 ye all in good health as the
 departure of this leaves your
 father in at present thanks
 be to God for His Blessings & as
 Dear Daughter you must not
 think that I am forgetting
 ye for not An^l your Letter
 I am doing the best I can
 for ye & all the time I can
 give ye

Dear Daughter I have not
much news to translate to
you to day Except the weather
is very hard this last week
So cold as Rain and Snow
and Sleet but thank the Lord
I am not out under it this
winter I mean to Inform you
that I am booking for the
tee since the 18 of September
I have my good House built
and plenty of Oats Thanks be
to God And if you were near
I could send you a or 2 good
Blankets for the winter but I
hope that you will be all
safe until I have the pleasure
of seeing you all Once more
Give my love to Mother and
Margaret and Margaret and
John and to Grandfather
and Uncle Paul and Aunt
Budgett and Aunt Ann.

And uncle Martin And your
uncle John Hegan And
Family And not forgetting
Mary Hegan And Ellen And
all your best friends

Dear Mary I Hope
you will receive those five
loynis And as soon as you
do and them And I will
send to you money enough to by
3 Bonnets for you And Catherine
And Margarett for the Spring
And let me see how much
you can by A good Bonnett
for I also sent the 9 day of
January 25 dollars to mother
by Adams Express And I Hope
that ye got we have not
got paid as yet but thank
the Lord I have plenty money
At present

Dear Mary Hope
That you are improving in
your writing for the last
letter you sent me was very
good for your time at school
and the first one I would delay it
a minute -

No more at present from
your affectionate Father
Michael Sully good night
Mary it is nine o'clock

Dear

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