

There's Charlie Abner & Harry
there Walter poor Willie and Joe
they can't take up the front
button. In fact they are exceedingly
slow.

And now to the gang men
I'll give warning I'm going
to catch a nice lion, and
if I can catch the right
yellow one I'll
hand it to you.

6 hours

I'm dying for some one
to love me, to call me their
soul their own, I can't bear
the thought of remaining forever
on earth all alone

The birds can fly as often
as the singer seas cause to sing
it

Written February 17, 1901
By Chas. H. Vaughan

February 4 + 1901

Head-Market

Geo L. Sutcliffe

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Remains 10 Chert 8 to 10
Chert and 3 Chert 8 to 10

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1834

Jefferson Barracks Mo.

January 27, 1899.

Dear Mother

It affords me
much pleasure to night
to have the opportunity of
dropping you a few lines
I was truly glad to hear
you was all well. and though
it may be bad. but getting
along as well as you are.
and am proud to say that
I think my health is still
improving I haven't had a
chill in about five weeks
and am feeling very good
except I have a very bad
cough

well we have not gone yet
but have every thing ready
to go at any time
and I feel very thankful for
your prayers and good wishes
on the trip and expect to do
us good exert by my self
as I can on the trip

So I dont think now I will ever
be able to marry for it seems
that its about all I can do to
take care of my self and
am not doing that very well
but Uncle Sam will keep me
if I will just stay with him
but I think now I will try
something else

Co. H. 12 " W.S. Inf.

Squad. No. 3

Serg't	Wilkinson	Put. Penwell
Corpl	Dexter	" Judge
"	Kelly	" Greasing
"	Smith	" Martin 2. ^{and}
Put.	Broyle	" Blount
"	Moore	" Shinfield
"	Vaneglin	" Amman
"	Kilmurry	" Birkel
"	Baxter	" Leale
"	Osthine	Wag. Murphy
"	Reno	Put. Hefferman
"	Phillips	
"	Martin 1 st	
"	King	
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Santiago Decuba
Co. H. 12th U.S. Inf.
Aug. the 10-1898.

Dear Mother:

I written one letter
to you the forth if I may shake
not and one to Enis yesterday
I just had mailed it when
I received yours of the 20th
but as I have the opportunity
I will try to write again but
as I have so much I could
write I dont know where to begin
or what to tell you first and
in that fix I dont guess I will
say anything that is my account
I guess you all know as much
as I do about the war and
perhaps more for the latest paper
I read was printed the 23 of July
and we dont get any news much
till the time comes and they want
U.S.

we have been thinking we would
get away in a short while but
there is nothing certain about it
I guess. I herd to day that the
3^d Brigade would be left here
for a while but dont know how
true it is, and also herd that
Posobaca had Surrendered.

we have quite a lot of Seco
here now but not quite as
much as there was. as to the
yellow fever if there is any it
not near us. we are still in
camp just out of Santiagos way
at man draws his own rations carries
his own wood and water and
does his own cooking we have
a great time you might to see
some of our Bunks they are
composed of fore forks and fore
pales with a lot of Split poles
in the middle and a lot of grass
dried and put on top.

this is the next place to name
the condition it is in now
but believe it would be all
right if it were put in shape
I have seen bananas pineapples
lemons mangoes coconuts
all growing and there is a
lot of other things can be raised
here that is of great value it
is the greatest place for to have
in the world and also a lot
of sugar is raised here and
there are fine copper mines
but it's too hot for white people
to live it seems to me I thought
when I first struck the Island
I would make this my home
after the war was over for I believe
if a fellow could stand it
he could make a fortune in
a short while but now I am
so sick of the place the sooner
I can get away from here the better

tell Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Page
that I was very thankful to hear
here of their good wishes for me
and that I appreciated them very much
and that I expect to come home
soon. Tell Walter I would like
to see him and all the rest of
the family soon. They and
I spent a whole day in the
and tell all that I can. The
above and tolerable ^{well} considering
everything. Some are against them
and it is reported that I was killed
just to trouble you. Try and not
trouble so much any more for if
any thing happens to me you
will have a fine lot of trouble
now for they all know me here
so close. Love you.

1899

It was on the 11 of Feb.
the 12th Reg. of Infantry
left Jefferson Bkr. for the
Phillippines. arriving
in N.Y. the 17. remaining
there for ex bout two days
preparing for our long
journey. Leaving on the
19. Our loss was three on
our way across the Atlantic
two little Children and
one Enlisted man, had
some very rough water
arrived at Gibraltar Mch 2
there we could see the great
Rock of Gibraltar

the Coast of Spain and
the Northern Coast of Africa.
Remained there 42 two days
Coaling. leaving there in
the 4 out through the
Mediterranean Sea. Stopping
on the Island of Malta
four days. Saw a great deal
that is worth any one time
to see. leaving Malta the 12.
arrived in Port Said the 16
this is at the entrance of
the great Suez Canal. Starting
through it same day. arriving
in Suez Town which is at the
other end of the Canal next
day the 17. Stopping only a few
minutes passing down through
the Red Sea. Arabia on our
left and Egypt in Africa

on our left right
touching at Aden and
crossing through the Gulf of Aden
and across the Corner of the
Arabian Sea in to the
Indian Ocean. arriving
at Calumbo the 29
Calumbo is on the Island
of Ceylon in the Indian
Ocean near the Southern
Coast of Hindostan
One other death to report
now. this we find to be
a very interesting place to
visit. there we all had a time
eating oranges and figs very
near at our own prices