Valdosta State University Archives and Special Collections
Digital Commons @Vtext

William Knight Civil War Letters, 1861-1863
MS/52, 1862 Letter 004

1862-06-12

Knight, William W., Letter to Mary Knight, June 12, 1862

For this and additional works see: https://vtext.valdosta.edu/xmlui/handle/10428/4270

UUID: 9DAFDE5F-D235-4AF0-A6F8-94F0C4BFBEBC

Recommended Citation:

Knight, William W., Letter to Mary Knight, June 12, 1862. MS/52 William Knight Civil War Letters, Box 1, Folder 2. Valdosta State University Archives and Special Collections. Retrieved from https://hdl.handle.net/10428/6836

This item is free and open source. It is part of the *William Knight Civil War Letters* Collection, at Odum Library Valdosta State University Archives and Special Collections. If you have any questions or concerns contact archives@valdosta.edu

Cantons Bluff June 12th 1862

Dear Wife I received yours by the hands of J. T. Carroll also the box you sent and the two pairs Sock and Dispensed I received a long letter from last week the second day after I wrote to you Mary I thought I would have to quit writing to you as you would not answer mine but I hope you will write to me every week I was very glad to get the thing you sent me the beans were spoilt but the other thing kept very well tell all that want to send vegetables not to put them in the box wet either with dew or water for they will be sure to heat and spoil but to put them up dry and not too tight and they will keep several days Mary I thought I would get to send you some things by J. T. Carroll but I had to go on picket tuesday when I got back last night he had left our camp I sent back the measure you sent me the butter in William trunk this morning Jonathan sent his trunks home the other day and I put my other overshirt in it with some coffee tied up in it Mary I was very glad to get the butter you sent me but I had rather you and the children had eaten it you do not know what sort of place a camp is all do not sleep at once and we have no chance to lock up any thing Mr Mc come down with J T but he he left while I was gone also I had no chance to talk with either for I was not with them but a few minutes Mary I am very tired of the coast and the kind of service we are doing I had much rather go where we would have to fight occasionally than to stay here one regiment that was camped here with the 47th commanded by Col. Williams the same that Godfey went off with left here last week for Charleston was in the battle day before yesterday on James Island and was cut up very bad from the best accounts we can get

Mary I want to come home and see all very much but there is little hope of getting any chance to come Mary I am fearful you will get out of salt and without being able in our favor we will not be able to get any more it sells for sixty five to seventy five dollars per sack now in Savannah I do not think I will want any more Shirts till the fall of the year and I have as many clothes with me now as I can carry and that is as many as I ought to have for I might have to throw them away I think it is best have but few at one time and wear them out before I get any more Mary kiss all the children for me and receive this as the same for yourself

Yours in love as ever

William W. Speight

1862-06-12

Causton's Bluff June 12th 1862

Dear Wife,

I received yours by the hands of Lt. Carrol, also, the box you sent and the two pairs socks and [???]. I received a long letter from last week, the second day, after I wrote to you. Mary, I thought I would have to quit writing to you as you would not answer mine, but I hope you will write to me every week. I was very glad to get the thing you sent me, the beans were spoilt, but the other things kept very well. Tell all that want to send vegetables not to put them in the box wet either with dead or water for they will be sure to heat and spoil, but to put them up dry and not too tight and they will keep several days. Mary, I thought I would get to send you some things by J.J. Carroll, but I had to go on picket Tuesday. When I got back last night, he had left our camp. I sent back the [measures?] you sent me the butter in William's trunk this morning. Jonathan sent his trunks home the other day and I put my other overshirt in it with some coffee tied up in it. Mary, I was very glad to get the butter you sent me, but I had rather you and the children had eaten it. You to not know what sort of place our camp is. All do not sleep at once and we have no chance to lock up any thing[sic]. Mr. [Mc.?] came down with [J. J?] but he he[sic] left while I was gone, also, I had no chance to talk with him for I was not with them but a few minutes. Mary, I am very tired of the coast and the kind of service we are doing. I had much rather go where we would have to fight occasionally than to stay here. One regiment that was camped here with the 47th command by Col. Williams, the same that Godfrey went off with left here last week for Charleston, [who] was in the battle [the] day before yesterday on James Island and was cut up very bad from the best accounts we can get.

Mary, I want to come home and see you all very much, but there is little hope of getting any chance to come. Mary, I am fearful you will get [illegible] of [illegible] and without some change in our favor. We will not be able to get any more. It sells for sixty five to seventy five dollars [illegible] now in Savannah. I do not think I will want any more shirts till the fall of the year and I have as many clothes with me now as I can carry and that is as many as I ought to have. For I might have to throw them away. I think it is best [to] have but few at one time and wear them out before I get any more. Mary, keep all the children for me and [receive?] this as [illegible] for yourself.

Yours in love as ever,

William W. Knight.