

Concord, C. Feb. 17th 1853
Saturday P. M.

Mr. Knutson;

I have been exceedingly busy since, making a desk for my poor Mother had an idea I could just as well make it as not, and I complied with her wish, not too graciously however, but I found I could make quite a presentable one. Oh, I shall be a treasure to some poor man. — We have just heard Daniel Shultz was wounded at Gettysburg in the fingers of his left hand, and the surgeon was intending to amputate his hand. It does seem too bad that for a trifling wound on his finger he must lose his hand and with it his whole arm. I don't believe there is any occasion in the 6th Regt. was truly mad up at that battle and a man says he consid-

Samuel fortunate that his life was spared
him. When he heard Thomas was dead
he wrote that he had wanted to come
home before, but now, he would not if
he could but wanted to fight until
every rebel had ceased to breath
and cared not if he fell from fight
ing to avenge his brother's death.

Edmund Smith and Carrie Taylor
were married last Thursday and
have gone back on a wedding tour.
I will married couple I think
they are both so detestable that it
would be too bad to send two
houses with them. Knight Carter
has left town. He and some to bring
has become so very unpopular that
it was not comfortable for him
to remain longer. He quarreled with
Chairman F. Turner, and they would
have nothing to do with him. It is
too bad that he has such a good
wife. I fear her prospect are very rough
and your case with him.

Sunday P. M.

I have been intending
to write you all day, but for
some reason I have delayed it
until now. It is so cold today
that one would think it was Oct.
instead of July. We have been
sitting around the kitchen fire all
day for it was the most comfortable
place in the house. I have
been reading "Paul Bleeker" in the
Atlantic and been much interested.
It is in the last three. I have
the Atlantic, monthly, and can
send them to you if you think
there is any hope of your ever
getting them. Shall I send
them. I saw in the paper last
night that Col. Hall was dangerous
by ill with I should fear, and I
had heard he was dead.
"Vengeance is mine" may be from
your case with him.

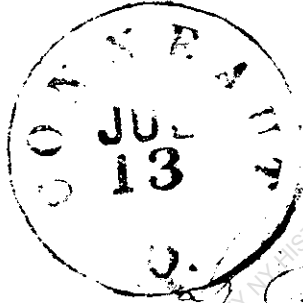
Angie has not come home yet. I
am going to send you one of her
photographs when she comes. She
had some splendid ones taken
in Batavia by the same artist who
took Edwin's. I was sorry that
I could not send as good an one
can you not have some taken down
in Maine? I want you with your
face in an album and I don't
want that saintly looking personage
for fear you will be taken for a
person. Is that a good one of
Capt. Salding that he sent me?
The same day your letter came
there ~~was~~ ^{came} one from Cousin Hattie to
her father why she supposed upon
Governant. She had heard nothing
from them since they left Manchester
with the Federal army last August.
Her husband is Burr Emerson instead
of Frank. He is a lawyer.

I have not heard from Anne since
since I sent your letter. I am
as glad, my husband, that you trust
God's mercy and goodness of all
times. I feel when I kneel by my
bed, that I do not need the holy
clasp of your arm about me to
assure me that you are with
me then. God keep you from
all harm and danger and bring
you safely to my arms. Pray ever
Your wife Emma

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Answered July 19th 1863



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