Piqua. Ohio. Feb 14/95.

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Dear Sir and Comrade.

Your letter contains much of interest to me - I do not know that I can master the subject all at once, but I want to recall what I know that bears upon the positions of portions of 3rd & 10 Divisions at Perryville. Your statement that Terrill's Brigade was separated the length of Rousseau's line (Harris and Lytle's Brigades) from Webster's Brigade is contrary to all that I can remember or can learn of this matter.

I am sure the 94 Ohio was in line of battle in Reserve somewhere in rear of the rest of the Brigade - the line was not far. The Battery took a detail of men from our Regiment and took position - this was our own (Simonson's 5 Ind Batty.) we faced in the direction of the road in the woods. I know now it was East - we moved by the left flank north and northeast, (see Col Frizell's Report) formed on top of a wooded ridge, thick oak bushes and heavy trees. We were aligned on Comp. B. the regiment coming up the hill to our line, the battle began for us by a line of

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the enemy rising from the bushes right before us the alignment was completed and we fired for some time from the position the rebels fell back and we advanced the troops next on the right was a portion of the 50th Ohio, and the Battery I believe was that of Harris 19th Ind. probably Terrill's Battery was in the front of the enemy by that time - a portion of the Battery was Lava I am sure, for it drove by the rear while we were in line. I met an acquaintance belonging to the 50 Ohio while in the position. The 24th Ills relieved our regiment or advanced to the line. I was with the 2nd and 79th Pa. for a time and so I am sure we were on the ground occupied by the right of Starkweather's Brigade. I have always believed that Wilcox's Brigade was near our regiment and I cannot believe that the 33 & 34 Brigades were separated by the Brigades of Lytle & Harris— there is nothing to show that 50 Ohio was sent away from its Brigade. I was on the field in 1892 with Lt. C. Hiett now of Richmond Ind. he was in Co. A next the 50 Ohio. Comrades. We found the stumps on the ridge which marked the position of our line - we pointed out the position of Capt Carr's Battery (50 Ohio) down the hill

to our front. I have time now to say further, your Artist makes a Mistake in his Pictures by showing the position of the large Cartridge box brought clear to the front as if it were the little McKeever Box of the present day— the shoulder strap was worn and the box was worn on the right hip. it could not be pushed clear to the front as his pictures show. Mr Remington has probably grown up since the war and does not recall the equipment of that time. The position of the Battery in the Feb number is at fault. "Action Front" the fighting position places the men on the horses attached to the limbers facing to the front, ready to drive forward and "limber up" the men did not have their backs to the enemy. have this picture corrected by all means. I am sure I appreciate all you have said in your letter and will respect your wishes as to publication. We are not done, as I get time between patients I will speak again, no doubt Hoit will write. this is the location also of Co. D. 50 - They will "chip in" if they read your Artigle.

Yours Dr James E. Shellenberger