

But I hope we shall not  
 have to stay here very long, not  
 over a week at the most. I shall  
 geting to be almost night - and  
 I shall have to quit writing for  
 we have got to go and shall not  
 with our guns. You must count  
 all mistakes for I have to write  
 at a hand gallop to write about  
 Direct - your letter to  
 E. E. Corwin  
 Camp Dennison  
 Ohio

Care of Capt - Stone  
 Co. 8. 19 Reg  
 O. A. U. S. A.



GENERAL ELMER F. ELLSWORTH.

Camp Dennison  
 Nov 9 1861  
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Dear Sister Celia

Here we are in Camp Dennison at last we left Camp Ford last Thursday morning "landed" here in camp the next morning having rode in the cars all night we have got a very pleasant situation here surrounded by high hills the little Miama I suppose it is at least runs near the east side of the encampment there are some 7 or 8 thousand men in camp A part of a reg- of Zouaves and 5 or 6 company of Artillery are here

It is a little exciting to see a co. of flying Artillery on drill There are six cannon allowed to every co of Artillery and two teams one of five and one of six horses, to draw the ammunition wagons and cannon The horses are two & two with a rider for each horse generally and a good many of their movements are made on the run. We are not allowed to go out of our own guard lines so I have not seen the Zouaves drill any We are only about 12 or 15 miles from the land where secessionist live "The bloody battle ground" Kentucky. Some say only seven miles I don't know how long we shall stay here We get our guns today and shall stay here a few days to drill.

I am well now although I was rather under the weather yesterday. Rather worn out I had to keep the door of the car when we were coming here and it was rather hard work but I feel quite well today,

Our sergeants have been appointed They are First - ~~Jason~~<sup>JASON</sup> Hurd second L McCarty Third C. L North Fourth John Brown Fifth E. E. Quiatt. John Clark have to drill one hour more than the privates, and the sergeants have to oversee the company almost all of the time. But we have one advantage They cannot put us in the "guard House"; we all have barracks to sleep in here instead of our tents They are about 15 by 20 or 25 ft. and we have to put from 12 to 16 in them to sleep

If we have orders to go into winter quarters here we shall have to batten the cracks to keep the wind

Care of Capt Stowe  
Co G 19 Reg OV U.S.A.

Camp Dennison O.H. 10



NO  
NOT  
E.G.  
but  
letter

Jan 28, 1862 (?)

Uncle Oviatt died Dec 1861(?) - - set 15, APRIL 9, 1862  
Uncle Will (writer of this letter) died

no  
will  
Bradford  
letter in  
west  
2nd Ohio

Dec 1862 Killed at Murfreesboro fight  
(Stone River Battle) Buried National Cemetery  
there. Uncle Oviatt buried near West  
Independence \_\_\_\_\_ County, OHIO  
His widow \_\_\_\_\_ had body sent north

W.J. Bradford is Warren James Bradford  
son of Moses Dunn Bradford

(These facts from my  
father W.J. Bradford, a  
younger brother of William  
signed George W. Bradford  
Nov. 29, 1925)

Also: Tip Oviatt starved to death in eastern  
Andersonville or Libby prison and gnawed the  
skin off his hands. (NO)

Roxy (recipient of this letter) burned to  
death about the '70's. Sister of cousin Sarah  
Russell of Newton Falls, Ohio