

We have just received orders to  
move our tents upon the other  
side of the encampment to day  
but as our men are all on guard  
we cannot move until to morrow

You cannot tell how much I  
want to see you & Ada it seems  
that I would be willing to walk  
all the way on foot. I think that  
I can come to Allegany for about \$5.00  
as soon as I get my pay I shall  
get a furlough & come to Cleveland  
if you are there or to Allegany if  
there. Unless you should conclude  
to come & see me if you

Come you had better come  
on a visit only & return to  
Allegany again after seeing  
the sights &c you must believe  
the cost of the two of us staying here  
my salary as hospital steward would  
give you a good support here  
but I presume that we will not  
stay here more than 3 weeks  
longer & where we may go I do  
not know

Write me as soon as you get  
this I shall write as often as twice  
a fortnight a week  
Yours in Love N. H. Beach

Dec 25<sup>th</sup> 1862

I have spent  
This day in camp, have thought of  
home & dear ones many times, and  
have longed much to be with you  
This has been a pleasant day & I  
presume a very merry one  
in the city we have spent the  
evening in social conversation  
& in singing some of the songs  
in our little books. No sickness  
in our regt. except a few  
cases of measles. Wrote a  
letter to Adelbert to day  
Dec 26. I received a long letter  
from you Sunday this morning  
which was read with a great deal  
of pleasure. I wrote you to come out  
last Saturday in care of Rev. A  
Burgis. I shall send this in  
my valise. It will cost you  
eight or nine dollars to come to  
Harrisburgh & Elmer from here  
to Cleveland