

Head-Quarters, Army of the Potomac,

Brandy Stat. April 21st 1864.

Dear Parents,

Your kind ^{note} was duly received to-day, & I will try and write you a few lines in return. The only news is that the 9th have left and gone into the 2nd Corps, but I did not have to go along with them, & I hope I will stay, but I do not know for a certainty, yet. They all seemed very glad to go. I hope you have by this time received the Money I sent safely. You have not had all the bad weather lately as I think we have had our full share of rain & snow but it is clear & pleasant now, & the roads are fast getting ready for us. I wish you would not worry so much about "that cough"

it is a great deal better now than
it has been any time since I came
out. I do not cough but very
little now, I never only when
it rains, I imagine you don't
mother as just about played
out to day after your exhibition
of Wednesday. So Mr Southwell
has at last got his Cornish,
I'll I wish him good luck
but he will find that when
he has got a sick headache
he has not got a dry arm
chair to be belted up in
or a cup of green tea to
drink, I often read the
Hibernian & feel some comfort
in knowing you were reading
the same things the day
before, but of all the papers
to get up thanks I think that
is the worst, it cannot be

relics on in the least. I think
the Herald is the best paper
for the times, but I don't like
its editorials, the Times puts
me best in all things put to-
gether.

Please excuse the brevity
of this and I will dry and
do better next time
I am aff

Yours
W. D. Jones