

United States Sanitary Commission.



"One last great battle for the right—
One short, sharp struggle to be free!
To do is to succeed—our fight
Is waged in Heaven's approving sight—
The smile of God is victory!"

Chattanooga Tennessee

January 2nd 1865

Dear sister once more with pen in hand I will endeavor to write you a few lines to let you know that I am still numbered among the living tho not very well this evening but hope when these few lines reaches you you may be found enjoying good health. "Wat Julia" 1864 has past a way and 1865 has come and we do not know what this year will bring forth oh may it bring the close of this war for I am getting tired of it for I am tired of living such a life it is a dogs life to every soldier in the field may 1865 close this wicked rebellion and I think it will if our Generals keep having as good success as they are now for General Sherman is taking up the heart of the Southern ~~Confederacy~~ confederacy and he will if he keeps on sink the whole sothern confederacy before this year pears a way and General Thomas who was left here to contend with Rebel General Hood is cutting and taking his whole Army to pieces. General Hood in trying to take Nashville and make his way in to Ky lost nearly a Corps of his army and nearly all of his artillery Hood has not got but a bought 100 or so pieces of artillery in all

he has got with him General Thomas has took
over 200 pieces of Artillery from old Hood in his
attempt to go in to Ky. and General Stoneman
up in East Tenn has whiped the rebels and is
making his way through western Virginia toward
Richman the last I heard from him he was
in one hundred and fifty miles of Richman
taking up the railroad and Destroying all Rebel
Property he could get hold of and our forces
have captured the Rebel Salt works the the
main dependence for salt for their armies
said to be the only place they had to get salt
if so they will be hard up for seasoning for their
fresh beef if they have any.

Wal Julia what kind of a christmas and
Newyears did you have what kind of a dinner did
you have I had some short cake and some
coffey for newyears and some sweet cake of our
own make so you see we had some thing
new for soldiers. Wal Julia I shall have to
close for this time as it is getting late
and bed time write as soon as you get this
and write all the news so no more at present
Good By this from your ever true brother

F. Warner

To Julia. A. Warner