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bullet Co tenth reg  
Wisconsin volunteers  
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Camp  
Meromhia  
Shepherdsville  
Kentucky Nov 19 61  
Dear Wife and children  
I am in the land of  
rebels we left milwau<sup>kee</sup>  
saturday morning  
stopped a short time in  
racine arived in Chicago abo<sup>ut</sup>  
sundown left there about  
seven o'clock arived at indian  
napolis about eleven saturday  
stopped about an 1/2 hours start<sup>ed</sup>  
arived at Jeffersonville in  
the evening stop in the cars all  
night crossed the river in the  
morning before breakfast march<sup>ed</sup>  
through the city of Louisville  
had breakfast on the green near  
the depot then took the cars &  
came on to this place eighteen  
miles pitched our tents

and our company was called  
upon yesterday to go eight or  
ten miles ahead to guard a  
water tank but I with some  
of the others was not in camp  
so we lost the gun and company  
~~Regt~~<sup>Regt</sup>, the chance there is a long  
bridge here that has to be guarded  
the rebels have tried to burn it

The weather is very warm here at  
present so that we do not need  
any thing on but our pants and  
shirts we have plenty of hard  
bread to eat we have to cook  
our own victuals now there is  
fourteen in a mess Henry  
Thall is our cook we have plenty  
to eat now had hamony for  
dinner to day we have to drink  
river water no tea or coffee  
here yet but have the promise  
of some to morrow

We have been drilling hard  
this fore noon and so I cannot  
write much more for my  
hand trembles bad one of our  
got his shoulder put out of  
joint at Louisville he was  
sent over as guard Sunday  
evening and after they got  
the baggage on the cars he stepped  
of the platform and fell and  
hit his shoulder five of our  
boys was left in Milwaukee  
I do not like this country  
much ~~the~~ it looks all alike  
the inhabitants and all there  
is slaves of all descriptions  
color and size I have not  
time to write more

so good by  
P. S. Direct Wisconsin tenth reg  
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