U S Hospital at York Pa
July 29th 1863

Dear Brother

I rec'd a letter from you several weeks ago, I think it was just before you left Agua Creek, & that I did not answer it. It occurred to me this day that I may often have neglected to notice, by reply, remarks, suggestions &c in your letters — as for instance I do not know whether I have made any reply to your correspondance about Mrs Barnes & Burr. — I was much surprised when you first wrote me that I was in debt to them, for I recollected that my intention had been to send them a sum more than sufficient to pay the price & postage of the book that I obtained from them, since I could not know what the exact amount

might be, & I intended to send for other books: but my agreement with W S made me drop my plans & forget my dealings with those Gentlemen; I am glad that you succeeded in obtaining evidence which enabled you to prove to them the true state of my Acc, & if you will give me their adress & the date of their last to you I think I will write to them for the 50 cts.

When I was wounded & assisted from the field on the 3d, in a fainting condition I lost my knapsack &c including your letters.

I was the only Kanadelta "boy" of the 149" (at least in our Co) hurt at Gettysburgh but Dan M: Lord of Mottvills had his leg wounded & amputated; he was doing well when I left him at the 12th Corps Hospital at G. Pennsylvania we had about 35 men in our Co in the battle; 2 were killed & 3 wounded;

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Lieut Barnum was on picket the
day of the battle & wounded himself
in the foot by the accidental discharge
of a pistol. Capt Townsend went
home 2 months ago on a sick
furlough & had not returned
on the day of battle. Col Barnum
was with us in Battle until
overcome by fatigue, Lieut Col
Randall was with us until wound-
ded by a ball through the breast,
he was doing well at the Corps
Hospital; Maj Cook was wounded
at Chancellorsville. So for Regi-
mental Officer we have only
Col Barnum whose health is defi-
cient owing to wounds rec'd in the
old 12th & for Co. officer Lieut Col Fox
Brown, only's indeed additions have
lately been made. The other day
a son of Constable Sharp of
Kanesatake introduced himself
to me at dinner he belongs to
the 122d & had the top of his

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thumb shot off at Gettysburgh.

Our Hospital ground is a square field of 20 acres bounded on 2 sides by a high close board fence & on the other 2 by a double row of 1 story buildings (badly ventilated & hot in warm weather) which compose the hospital. We have over 1200 patients mostly doing well & suffering little pain at present.

Fortunately for wounded men the weather for many weeks past has been mostly cool & cloudy but this must have been bad for the harvesting of hay & grain.

When you wrote to me in the latter part of May that you thought you had it nearly as warm as us in Virginia you must have been mistaken, I found ripe field strawberries on the 20 May & was nearly baked by the heat. Your affectionate Brother