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Nov 30th 1862

Camp Near Fredericksburg

Dear Brother Eph

I received your letter the 28th and was very glad to hear from you and to learn that you are all getting along so well your letter was ten days coming I am well and so is Cuch Boaster he is as fat as a hog I was weighed the other day and brought down a 169 lbs I dont think it would do for you to take a snap at the backs with me for I might hurt when I fell on you, you may think strange that you dont hear

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Description: Pvt. Daniel Webster "Web" Brown of East Baldwin wrote to his brother Ephraim about his activities as a soldier in Co. A of the 17th Maine Infantry Regiment.

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know how our time is taken
up, we have been here in this place
a week yesterday, and this is the
first chance that I have
had to rite, there is ^{some} thing
take up all of the ^{time} it is of
fighting, the Rebs are coming,
to us most every day, our pickets
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the river together I think both
parties are getting tired of this
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stood the march well and now they have
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ago, he got to return home on acct
of his health he will get his
discharge, and then in comes Mattacks
for Capt, I have not got those gloves
yet, but shal probaly get them
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home to have a new pair of boots
and they are done he says, I want you
to have me a pair of boots ^(made) like his
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have a fig, spe between us,
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any, egg, nog, now days and tell him
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