



REUEL THOMAS
MASON. _____
Bakers' Ovens
CONSTRUCTED AND IMPROVED
Mail Orders to
53 Raymond Street.

North Cambridge, Mass., Mar 23rd 1895
My Dear Gen'l.

I have just returned
from Portland and while there,
I called in to see Melcher he
said he met the 20th Maine Rgt
will go in to History now for
the last time. I was telling him
where I was at that fight. And he
went in to sit down and write
you a letter at his desk. So f if
there was any place to put me
I would like to have it for I
want all there honor there is for me.
Gen'l you remember I had charge
of the Pioneer Corps until we
arrived at Little Round Top. and then
you gave orders for ~~them to retreat~~

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Description: In this letter to General Joshua Chamberlain dated March 23, 1895, Sgt. Reuel Thomas shares memories of their Civil War battles, including Little Round Top. Joshua Chamberlain was the commanding officer of the 20th Maine Regiment and Thomas served as his orderly.

each man to report to his Co.
and I said to you where shall I
go and you said Sergt. I want
you to come with me. and I never
left you side only to obey orders
until the fight was over.

~~Now~~ Now I dint care where I
am in that fight only I want
the Wourld to know it. ~~and~~
and it nevr will with out you
put it their.

For you knew I was not in
my Co.

Will close hoping you will
plead me some where.

Sergt Reuel Thomas
Co. I. 20th Maine Regt.
Care of your old address

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