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Description: John P. Sheahan on commission as lieutenant

Camp 1st Me Cav'y
Warrenton Va
March 18th/64

My Dearest Father and Mother
It is with the great=
est pleasure that I take
my pen to let you know
that I am well. I have
been having a joval time
within the last few days
when I got your letter
I told the boys I was going
to leave Co. K and have
a 1st Lt's Com — They were
all supprised and the
next day the Capt got
back from the Raid he

was all taken back, and diel not know what to say mad Snough So might - before last he got so made that he ordered me taken to The quant house, and no the morning the Colputant happined over to the quand rouse and he asked if I was unter quard d'hole him I was he came up and saw the Capt- and asked him what he meant having me under quard, the Capi tolo him he intended have me Court-martailes The adjulant - asked line what for and says he for a good maker thrus, now say the adjulant - if want - to ruin Hour repulation just -

was all taken back and did not know what to say mad enough so night before last he got so mad that he ordered me taken to the guard house and in the morning the Adjutant happened over to the guard house and he asked if I was under guard I told him I was he came up and saw the Capt and asked him what he meant having me under guard. the Capt told him he intended to have me court-martailed the Adjutant asked him what for and says he for a good many things, now say the Adjutant if you want to ruin your reputation just

you court-martiel Sheahun I we all know what - your are trying for but he has got too many friends now the hest - thing you can do is to let - him out of Must- quand house, The orders Cume down in a few moments and I was set pre, They laugh about Myrick being mad, all Mrough the requirent- all the boys that I know are fortune, I have no doubtbut I shall make the men in my Co like me well, My Commission Come MEderday I have sent in an application for descharge Seane here mider as week, and it may be

you court=martail Sheahan we all know what you are trying for but he has got too many friends now the best thing you can do is to let him out of that guard house. The orders came down in a few moments and I was set free. They laugh about Myrick being mad, all through the regiment all the boys that I know are pleased to learn my good fortune. I have no doubt but I shall make the men in my Co like me well. My Commission came yesterday. I have sent in an application for discharge I cannot be able to leave here under a week, and it may be

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more I shall come as soon as possible. I am Yor Affectionate Son John P Sheahan