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Description: Letter from Walter Rounds to his cousin Abbie saying that though there is heavy gun fire around him he hopes that he will not be harmed in his last year of service.

Abbie I am now on my last year. I have served two years and ten days, but I don't think it can be hardly possible that I will be so fortunate in my next year as I have been the last two, but still I may be. I have the same protector here as I should have at home, and all that is left for me is to put my trust in him, we will soon commence operations with our salting breast works, most likely we will have some hot work. Charles Sawyer is not doing duty in the Company now he is cooking for the Company Officers he has a good easy chance he says he remembers the time very well when he went to the last meeting in Baldwin, and he says he is going to another one there one of these days. I hope he may. Joseph Bachelder is here he sends his best wishes to all. He is well, do you remember the time we had the laugh about Uncle Joseph's Pants when we were strawberrying. I laugh very often to myself about it. He is not the prettiest man that lives do you think he is Cousin. no accounts has yet been received from Corp Brown. poor fellow I think must be dead.

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