Barrack of Elmira
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Dear Friends

After leaving you I stayed in Gouverneur till Monday morning and then put off for duty. I arrived at this place last night at 11 and find that I am the first of our detachment to report there. I have been hunting over both barracks and have been to the adjutant for information but can find n o 92nd but myself. What we are to do and how long we are to remain is yet a profound mystery to me. There are only 3 conscripts in this barracks and not over 50 in the other so we have not much to do now but don't know how long it will last. There are detachments here from the 60th and 106th but there are none among them that I know. I will write more soon.

Direct your letters to Elmira NY and I shall get them.

Yours in haste
John Whipple