

  
San Antonio Texas

September 3 '65

This Sabbath  
morning has presented  
Its Self. Affording me  
this Privilege of seating  
myself to Answer three  
kind and welcome  
letters from My dear  
Companions. which was  
Received last night  
After dark. I was  
So glad to hear from  
my dear ones more  
one of your letters was  
dated the 2 of August  
the other two were not  
dated I suppose you  
forgot to date them



Giggie this is a  
very Beautiful  
morning I do wish  
I was at home  
so I could go with  
my dear to Church  
But I am so far  
away that there  
is no telling if I  
will ever get to  
see you. Giggie I imagine  
that I can see you this  
morning <sup>if</sup> I  
could only travel  
so fast as my  
memory flies. I know I  
would soon see you  
Giggie I suppose our  
Coys will be consolidated  
in one Division. I think  
our Regiment will be  
consolidated in the  
7th Ohio Regt.

As far as I can  
understand I think  
we will have to  
stay in Texas till  
next Spring. Perhaps  
longer until they can  
keep me till my  
time in camp and  
no longer. All I  
ask is good health.  
But I would like to  
get home this winter  
But I guess I can't.  
Giggie I have good  
health. I am very  
happy. But I can't tell  
how long I will  
last. There are a great  
many of our Regt.  
sick here. Breckin  
one yesterday. By the  
name of William Schuyler.



Giggie tell John  
Schreels that  
Jacob Hickman  
in A. B. Is dead  
our Regiment is very  
small we have  
24 men in our Company

All of the one year men  
goes out next month.  
we will then have  
about 150 men in  
the Regiment.

Well I close  
this leaves you  
well and Mary  
may I find Giggie  
the same  
my love to you both  
Love B. - John M. Piles



150 left  
Bm  
Assignment

Mrs Lizzie Bates  
Barnes Montgomery  
Co. Ohio

