

Grandecore La Apl 12th 1864

Dear Mother

I have got just about three minutes to spare & I will write a few lines now & more when I get time. We left Natchitoches which is 4 miles from this place just a week ago this morning. Marched 50 miles in the woods fought two days got badly whipped & got back here last night. We were on the way 2 days & 2 nights with the train & did not get a chance to sleep a wink. Our regt did not loose but a few men. Lt Col Morse was wounded in the arm & will probably have to loose it. The 13th Army Corps came near being all captured but the 19th Corps saved them. Cant write any more now

Your Affectionate Son

CJ Hardaway