Head Qrs 114th N.Y.V. Camp Sheridan Va March 5th 1865

Dear Mother,

I received your kind letter last night & will try and answer it altho I have nothing to write about. Judgeing from the accounts that we get from home I should think that you were haveing very much colder weather than we are haveing here. It has been raining nearly all of the past week & our snow is all gone & the mud is just about 6 inches deep on the level. It is almost impossible to get around. Foote will start for home in a day or two. He has allready got his leave of absence. I wish you would ask Gust if his wife is going to send me a toialet case like his. I need one very much & he told me when I was home that he would have one sent to me but I suppose that he has forgotten it before this time.

If my boots are not sent to me before Foote starts back I wish you would have him bring them to me or tell Gust to do it. I think that would be the better way.

Please remember me kindly to Mrs. Maynard & all the rest of the good people. You will think perhaps that this is a very dry letter but it is the best that I can do at present.

Your Affectionate Son CJ Hardaway