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from you for 8 or 8 weeks.
I will get this in about 3 weeks (pay 12.47 65)
& will then come to me & suggest to get it about that

about the muster out of troops.
Orders have been issued naming 11 Regts
to be mustered out immediately. One of course
is not included. I believe it will be soon
and if I go to Ft. McKintosh it is one
of the likeliest things in the world that
my resignation will come accepted &
the order to muster out on the same day.
so that I will gain no time by resigning
& only lose the 8 months pay & traveling
home from one of the most distant posts
in the United States.

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I do not intend to mail
this letter till I know something more
than I do now. If I don't get home for a
month or two after you get this letter
may come addressed to me. If they do
you will of course open them.

If I don't get to start home in a week
I shall be sorry indeed that I told you
a little more than 8 weeks ago not to
write to me again. I am afraid you are
already beginning to look for me.

If Stuart's Steel would have given leave of
absence to go to Galveston with my
resignation & then got leave to go to New
Orleans with it I might have been at
home this night instead of being in Texas
tormented with mosquitoes & tortured with
anxiety on your account & with fear lest
I shall not get to go home. I don't know
that I can stop but I cannot write anything
coherent & that has good sense & so good night

The hardest part of my disappointment after the
leave to you, so that I will not get any letter

October 2nd 3 o'clock P.M.

Dearest Love, I trust you have been so
well aware of the uncertainties of
the military service that you will
not be too much disappointed
when I tell you that I am not
coming home at present.

My application for leave
sent to Galveston 4 weeks ago. is returned
disapproved; and the statement is
on it that the resignation was forwarded
disapproved.

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Capt Coffin and Lieut Adam-
son have put in resignations since I did
and have both got leaves of absence
to go to New Orleans, or rather 7 days
to go to Galveston with recommendation
to Lieut Condit for an extension of
20 to go to New Orleans.

They do not know as they will get
home but they are going to try it.

I am sending some things home
by Adamson. If he succeeds in going
home himself he will bring them
to you; if not he will express for
New Orleans.

I am sending first \$150. in money
next about half a trunk full of
things worth I think in all about
\$150.

You will take the things
out carefully. the watch is wrapped
up in a stocking.

The following embraces the most valuable

