

## Transcription

### "He asked me to take my hat and leave the house"

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Dear Callie

I have just received your's and Papa's letter and was exceedingly glad to hear from home for I had n't gotten a letter from home for about 2 months and you know that is a long time "between drinks" if you will allow me to use that "phrase" I hope it is never that long before you get a letter from home, I think Brother Ben has written to me twice since I have been here, very often, "over the left" I haven't written to him very often but I think he ought not wait [for] me, because whin I write home that will do for all, I guess I have said enough on that, so I will leave that point for some one else to discuss I am happy to hear that you had such fine times and enjoyed your-self so much how I do wish I ~~was~~ had been there I had the dulllest times I ever had before, my last Xmas from home I think if I have my way about it. I have been where the boys were skaïting to day. I had a good deal of fun, but could not [s]k[a]t [skate] any myself.

Came very near having a fight with Bob Isbell the other day I reckon you would like to know what about I told one of the boys a question in a low whisper and he said it was disorder and I told him it was not and he asked me to take my hat and leave the house which you know I did not do and that is the whole history of the affair dont write home any thing about it as I will write in a few days and give them the ~~the~~ story of it. I know you are getting sick of this letter for it is as dry as it can be, but [word torn away] do any better, nothing [word torn away] write about.

Wedding took place here the other day, but did n't get a bid, it hapened to be a darkey wedding

Excuse my bad writing something is the matter to night cant write the bold han I allways write. I am thinking about my Dear little Katy so you can account for it Give my love to Katy and tell her I "sometimes think of Katy"

excuse this dry letter it is the best I can do nothing to write about

your Bro J W ANTHONY

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