Oct. 17-18
Somewhere France

My dear Mama-Papa & all.

Just rec'd a letter from Pock. Mama's letter came yesterday. Very glad to hear from you all. Have been very busy for two weeks. Have had 170 patients at one time. They were not surgical cases. Now I am being relieved they are all being sent to another hospital. for I am on my way with our Company. We haven't left yet but will soon. Maj Miller hasn't returned yet. I hear he will meet us on the scene. Any way I have never had so much responsibility as for past two weeks & from now on until I get relief by Maj Miller or some one else & I certainly will some time for I'm only a Lt., while the C.O. of a Field H. should be a Maj.

I have never cared so much for 84 men as I do this company. They have already delivered the goods for me & will every time I call on them - so you see I have confidence in them and I feel they have the same in me for I've been with them now 14 mo. thru "thick & thin" & mean trials etc. I've done good bit of scrapping for their comforts & rights & they all know it.

We have had the consolation of knowing every bit of our work here has been approved of in fact complimented upon. So that's one reason I'm writing you this for I know no one would appreciate it more than you all.

Now for a few weeks you may not get a letter from me often as usual but if you can just say "He's busy doing his best." for one certainly does get busy & do anything except work. I'm just as happy as

You be — and only hope
every one of you are the same.

I rec'd the old Grit to day
It was sent to Austin. You had
better have it changed or stopped.
I noticed a report of Mrs Whumbles'
death. Bob's grand Ma.

I get every letter you write
so don't fret they are in
vain. There isn't such a thing as
an old letter here.

Am sending a package of handkerchiefs
for you all. You will get them
about Thanksgiving time. [illegible] & are kept
very busy there — My address continues same
until further notice.

Much love
Your loving son
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Madame [illegible]
sends regards.