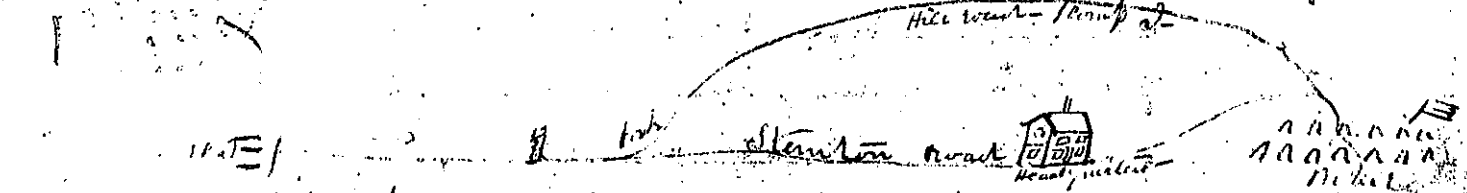


...to the house, I ran in to see if any one was there. What a sight  
 ...of letters, clothing, utensils, provisions, and other things  
 ...and considerable personal property  
 ...the house. In fact the Company had  
 ...my commensurate indeed, when a Union force was  
 ...them. We did not stay long, but  
 ...Camp. Before we arrived at the fort in  
 ...with <sup>Cap<sup>t</sup></sup> Bone - a Rebel  
 ...the unpleasant information that the Rebels had  
 ...and we must make quick time or be captured.  
 ...me ever before in my life - and I only possessed the common  
 ...before the enemy files into the road I was making.



...sketch of the road will give an idea of our position - the house  
 ...from our earth works. I left the road at the above mark and  
 ...and reached camp in safety. Found the Boys ready  
 ...the Rebels at any moment. But sad news was the news that  
 ...I had not come in - Camp Bone with 40 men are surely captured  
 ...the result of the expected battle of Company Bone  
 ...the Army consist of about 500 men, the 1st and 2nd Regts. and Camp  
 ...I hope and pray that we may come off better for we are tired of  
 ...mountains, though it is warm and though the day it is somewhat  
 ...From this I hope for nothing but the best for me  
 ...close by Springs

I have a Cincinnati paper from Sunday and I begin they are still in  
 ...the City. I am glad you are not there  
 ...for in this desolate country I have letters from you