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Yellow Springs, May 14th /68

Dear Brother

We received another letter from you yesterday, I guess we never had a more welcome letter. What do you think Hooker will do now? Reorganize the army, and wait several months before he makes another attack? — 'Tis reported that Halleck is going to take the field. How do you like Hooker anyhow, you did not seem to have much confidence in him at first. — Somebody is to blame for the repulse. Every paper that has anything in it about the 11th Corps, speaks in the highest terms of McLean's and Burdank's Brigades. — The people around here seem to be as anxious to hear from you as we are ourselves, almost.

I never go out, but some one asks me if we have heard from Ock lately.

I suppose you have heard before
this that Dallingham has been
arrested. And last night's paper
say he has been sentenced to hard
labor for two years on the Fortugas
islands. I hope 'tis so, though
it will have to be confirmed.

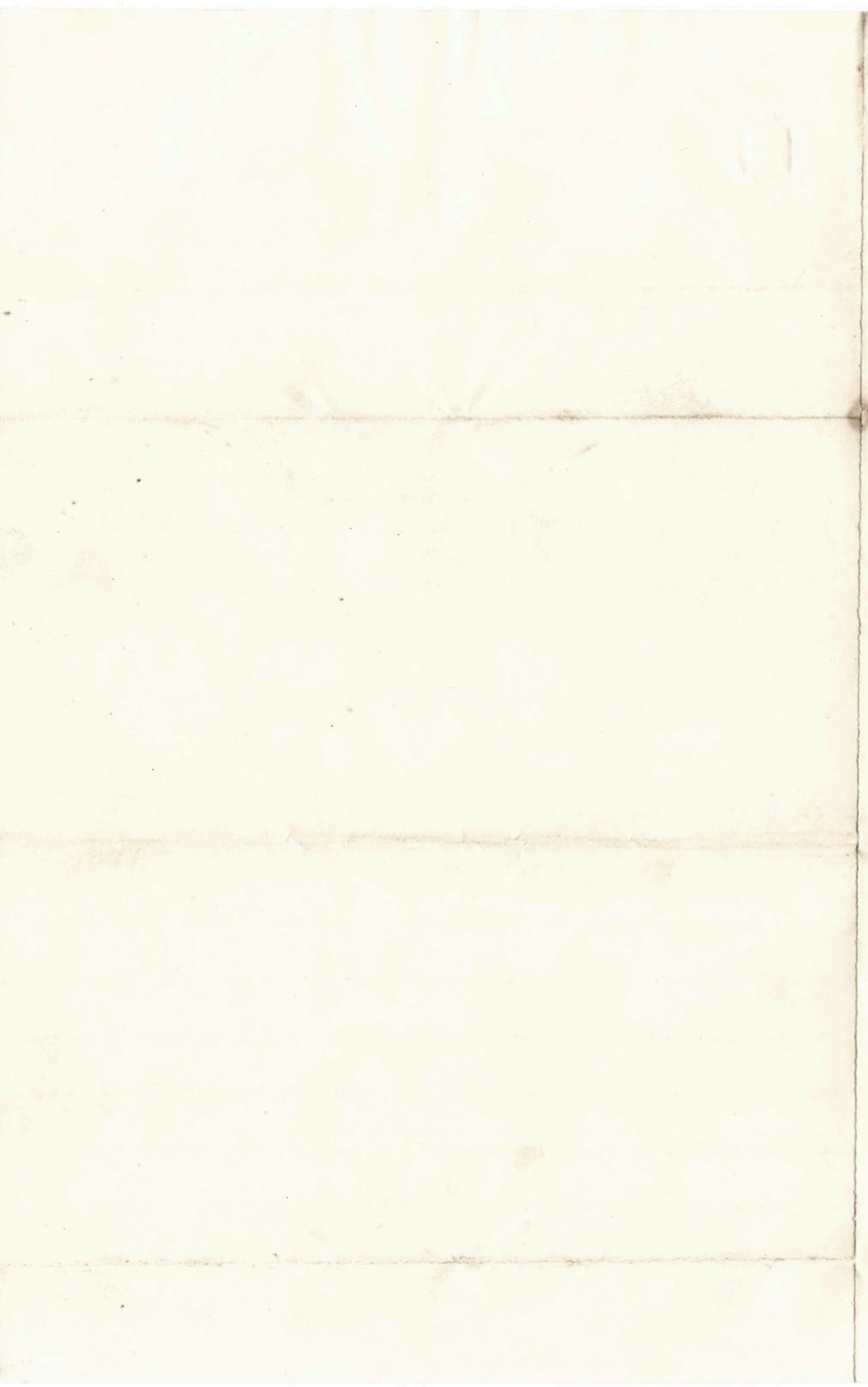
He has done more mischief & at
least as much as any Rebel. The
notorious old Butternut.

You remember those two old maids
that lived up on Philip Street. The Misses
Ratis. Well they invited Dallingham
to come here and visit them. But the
folks said they would egg him if he did.
The women declared if the men would
not that they would. — I would have
liked to help. I can throw very
well. I think I could do a pretty
good business. I tell you Burnside
is doing a good business here in
Ohio, arresting Butternuts. deserters

Sending all secret sympathizers
south. &c. — Miles Lawrence is
at-home now. He has been discharged
but says he is going back as soon as he
gets well. He can walk around on crutches.

The \$130. ⁰⁰ came safe.

Mrs. Ginn is nearly crazy to hear
from John. She has not received a
letter from him since the battle
and thinks he is killed or taken
prisoner. Was there any one from
here hurt at all? I hope Capt.
Mary is safe. Is Major Harris and
those two Quins safe. There is a
young lady boarding next-door to us
that is well acquainted with Major Harris.
Alice Gordon is her name. She is from
the same place as Harris. She is going
to school here. And was enquiring
about him. I will send you
a couple of Frank Leslie's. I must
close write soon. Affectionately,
Mary





Recd May 18

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