



Mrs. Martha A. True,
North Turner Bridge.
Maine.

Bananas Florida

December 22 61

Dear Mother I seat myself
once more to write you
to let you know that
I am well and hope that
this will find you the
same I have some good news
to write this time our regt
with ~~with~~ one other regt
of cavalry and two of
colored infantry started for
poland a week ago yesterday
it is sixty miles they
returned yesterday they had
five dismount Battlets our
regt had one killed and five
wounded there was ninety
killed wounded and missing
in all on our side

they had seven hundred
and twenty two killed
besides the wounded we
took 40 prisoners and they
brought in 1,50 contrabands
they tore up the railroad
and burnt the Bridges
they run the cars into the
depot and set that a
fire and burnt the city,
they took every ^{thing} we can
as they went there was
two rebel generals and one
Col killed.

it is thanksgiving day with
us to day but we dont have
any thing extra to eat
the old chaplain is again
to speak to us and we are
going to have a greast pig
to eat and a greast pole
to climb the one that climbs
it is again to have 60 days
furlow.

we have got one hundred
new recruits for this Regt
We have not had any mails
for some time i had a
letter from Clara and Rose
about two weeks ago i
saw Thomas yesterday he
is a gaining fast now
i dont think of any
thing more to write
this time

so i will close
give my love
to all write soon

J. W. S.