

Hd. Qrs. Hill's Div.
Apr. 28th 1865

Dear Genl.

I have detained the bearer of your note in order to obtain a preparation that [?] I send you. So far as the smell is concerned otherwise the Sulphur [sulfur] Ointment is the best. I failed in every instance to get the preparation I wanted.

If you can get $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. of lime – put it into a half Gall. of boiling water – with the Sulphur, I send you – boil ten minutes & strain through a cloth. Wash well once every day with Casteel [Castile] soap & water – Then sponge with the solution of Sulphur. If you cannot get the lime – you will have to mix a tablespoonful of Sulphur with one of lard & use it at night washing with the soap and water every morning. This smells horridly but it is the best I can do in my present fix. I deeply sympathize with you & weep for my country & the poor women & children. I have the horrors and am not far from desperation. It is an awful reflection to be compelled not only to endure the taunts of enemies, but the association of traitors & cowards, who have proven themselves unworthy of freedom & a curse to the country. I earnestly hope to see you ere we separate for our homes & if possible I'll visit you. Should I not be allowed the privilege, I shall write to you after reaching my home, that was. I hope that Providence may interpose in our behalf - & yet save our country from desolation and ruin; whatever be my fate, I shall never forget your kindness & friendship which will be reciprocated under all circumstances, if possible.

Your true friend,
D.A. Kinchloe

Major Genl. P. Anderson

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