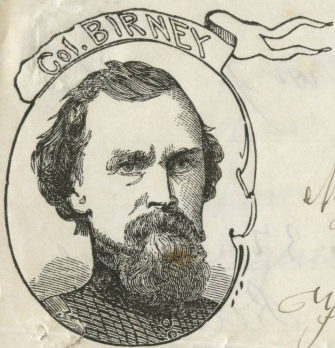




Col. D. B. Birney's Souaves.

HEAD-QUARTERS TWENTY-THIRD REGIMENT P. V.

My Brother I take
this opportunity to write
you a few lines to let you
know how I am getting
along I am very well at
Basant and hope you
are the same. I have
~~received your letter~~
and was glad to hear of
it. We get paid to day
So I will send you this
money. We did not get paid
all to day - I can't
send any more now
you must pay red smith
What I see him
I don't want to send any
more home till I come home
I want to fetch something
home with me

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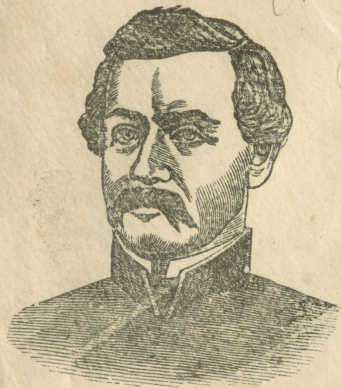
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