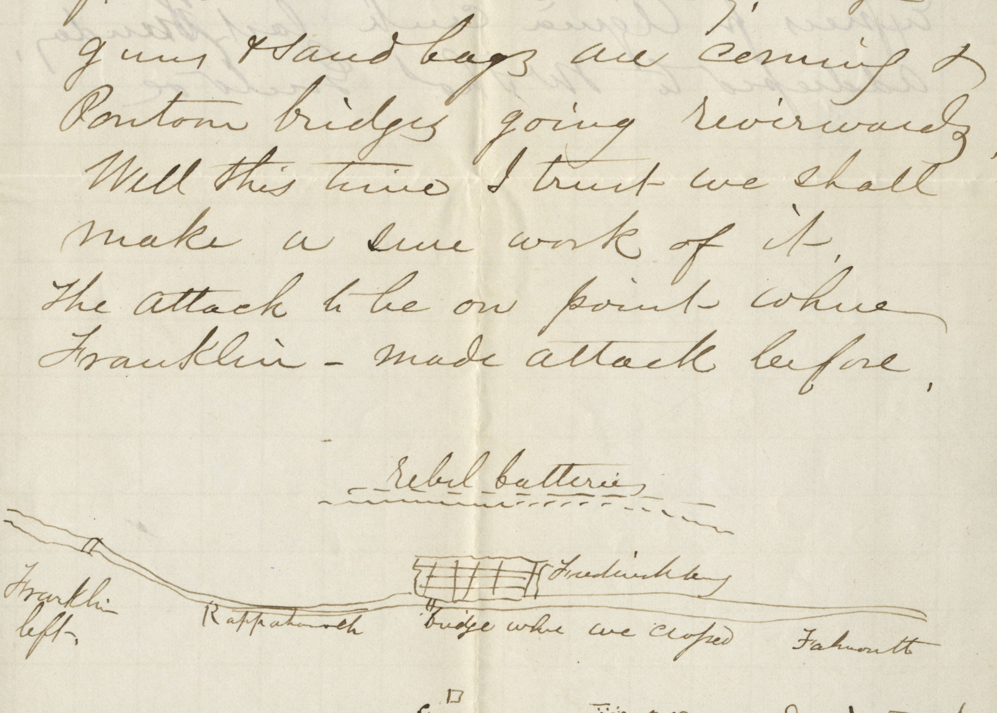
Hd. Qrs. 25 Reg. N.J.V.
Camp Opposite Fredericksburg Va
Jan 14. 1863.
10 P.M.

Dear Mr Hornblower

I wrote you last night (how long are my letters reaching you?) but mails are slow, & I send this by Capt: Graham (who goes home on sick leave) to say that we are all quite well. Peter Westervelt is very much better & will doubtless be out in a day or two _ I wrote about him yesterday. (Collie)

Rumor is. A grand attack on left will be made shortly, siege guns & sand bags are coming & Pontoon bridges going riverward. Well this time I trust we shall make a sure work of it. The attack to be on point where Franklin made attack before.



We expect Col. Ayres – & John tomorrow
– also the Paymaster!!
We are building ovens to bake
bread – by the time they are done
I suppose we shall move.

Good night – love to all –
Yours Affecty
F. E. Butler

A. G. Posts body went by Adams
Express fr. Aquia creek last Thursday,
addressed to Mr Thos Guildoe

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Rev. W H Hornblower D.D.
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Favor
Mr Graham