





Scheffer, pr. Harrisburg.

35 STARS

"And conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto—"In God is our trust;"
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

Camp Curtin May 5th 1861.
Ways Margt. of Thomas.

Dear friend:-

I now take my pen in hand
to fulfill the promise I ^{made} you in my
last letter. I am as usual well at
present truly hoping this may find
you all enjoying good health.

We are here yet but how long we
stay here I know not, we belong
to the 15th Regiment; we may leave
here to-morrow, perhaps not in a
month. About 35 Companies left
here last week; there are 34 Com-
panies here yet; and 1 Company came
in to-day from Middletown. Pres.
Lincoln issued an order for 42,054 men
more; where we will go to from here I
know not. I heard ~~that~~ that we will

UNION SOLDIER'S LETTER: A SLIGHTLY AGE-STAINED LETTER, LEGIBLE AND WRITTEN IN PENCIL, ON STATIONERY SHOWING A FLAG AND A FIRING CANNON NEXT TO A VERSE (IN RED, WHITE AND BLUE) FROM A MEMBER OF THE "KEYSTONE GUARDS," CAMP CURTIN, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 5, 1861. PRES. LINCOLN ISSUED AN ORDER FOR 42,054 MEN. THIRTY-FIVE COMPANIES LEFT LAST WEEK, STILL 34 LEFT. DON'T KNOW WHERE GOING NEXT, SOME SAY TO TEXAS, SOME SAY TO BALTIMORE.

