


New York April 20th

Three Cheers for The
Union

my
Father

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armory to day & they had
(164) one hundred & sixty four
men enlisted in our company (E)
& the officers met & chose
the best & out of that number
they only took 53 men
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addressing myself as Mr
A.C. Penny Secretary of
Company E of the 2nd Regiment
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to do is to ~~attend~~ ^{attend} to the writing
of the company  over

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any thing = & When we are at
camp I have to stay in the camp
& nothing else, The Captain
gave me the keys to the
Seeds Drawers this afternoon

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to be on the field when fighting
with out we are attracted while
marching

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that we should leave the city
on Sunday for some place
up the Hudson near where
Bennetts, dwelling is if you know
where that is you will know but
I forget, and from there to
Washington, ^{on Tuesday} Jim Crane is

in good spirits and says he
never will back down until
he has a good shot at one
of them Southerners, they have
been drilling him on double
quick time to day.

I stopped to see Arch to day
but he had gone out
I shall see him tomorrow
if I can, it is growing late
& I must retire my love
to all & especially Mother &
the boys I got a letter Stu
ted a week ago & it lays
before me unanswered write
as soon as you can I may
get it before I leave it
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Yours Truly

A C Perry
Secretary Comp E
2nd Reg U S M

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