

The State of Ohio,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Columbus, July 23rd, 1864.

Mrs. Eliza S Reel

Secunder. Preble Co Ohio

Madam

I have your favor of 21st and am happy to be able to comfort you in your solicitude. Your son, when appointed a 2^d Lieutenant could not be mustered into service, on account of the reduced condition of the Regiment. A few days since he was again promoted to the position of 1st Lieutenant, into which he can be mustered without difficulty. This was done on the recommendation of a large number of the officers of the Regiment. The Commission has been forwarded to Regimental Headquarters.

Very truly yours

Geo Brough

David A. Rees.

He died as die the nobly brave
He fills an honored soldiers grave
His banner folded on his breast
Lifes stains no longer mar his rest

Bravely he fought

On the field where fell

Our heroes slain in the war.

EsRees.