Dear Sister & Brother

Again I find a few moments to write you a few lines. We have been on a steady march till we reached this place. We know not how long we shall remain here. All of the Potomac army is armed here. We do not know whether our Division will cross the river or not. We shall cross the river if possible. Most of the army will cross. The pontoons are all ready to swing across now. It may or may not happen this afternoon. Can not tell whether our Division will cross or not. We were flanked on a coming here. Here we had rather be than to be here. In advance all of the thing. The new cavalry goes.
In advance this time,

There is a great deal of cavalry around here &amp; I hear that we have sixteen thousand following the rebs in the rear.

We left Berlin the next day after I wrote you followed the blue ridge up dick 

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