Transcription of Letter – Arthur Gifford to John Gifford (brother)

New York September 27th, 1814

My Dear John,

I received a few days since your letter containing the information of your recovery & of your intention to \_\_\_ to Fort Erie. I would have answered your letter immediately upon the receipt have not \_\_\_\_ called me out of town. I returned yesterday & the for the moment of leisure I have had I employed it in addressing you.

An officer of the 25th called up on me a few days since at your request. Lt. McBlaine he has been some time travelling from Williamsville to New York in consequence of debit he speaks very handsomely of you in a manner highly gratifying to me as a Brother & to you as an officer the both with to come to New York & I beg of you to come & we your friends. You have reaped Leonard enough for the present reason & I think it but just then enjoy a respite from your labours. A very valuable prize has arrived at Dalerry a British transport with 60 pieces of frolinane and nextly Howard \_\_\_ of blaths taker by the Princeton Surprez of Baltimore, the ship was bound to Halifax. It will prove as reasonable supply to the Eastern State as they were in want of \_\_\_\_ for the difference of the Eastern part of the Union.

I have been expecting you almost every steam boat & this has prevented me from sending you the happen on regularly as I would with I will endeavour to send you a package by this at the next mail. My mother & Fanny are well & they send their love to you.

I am my dear brother yours truly

Lt. Gifford Arthur Gifford