

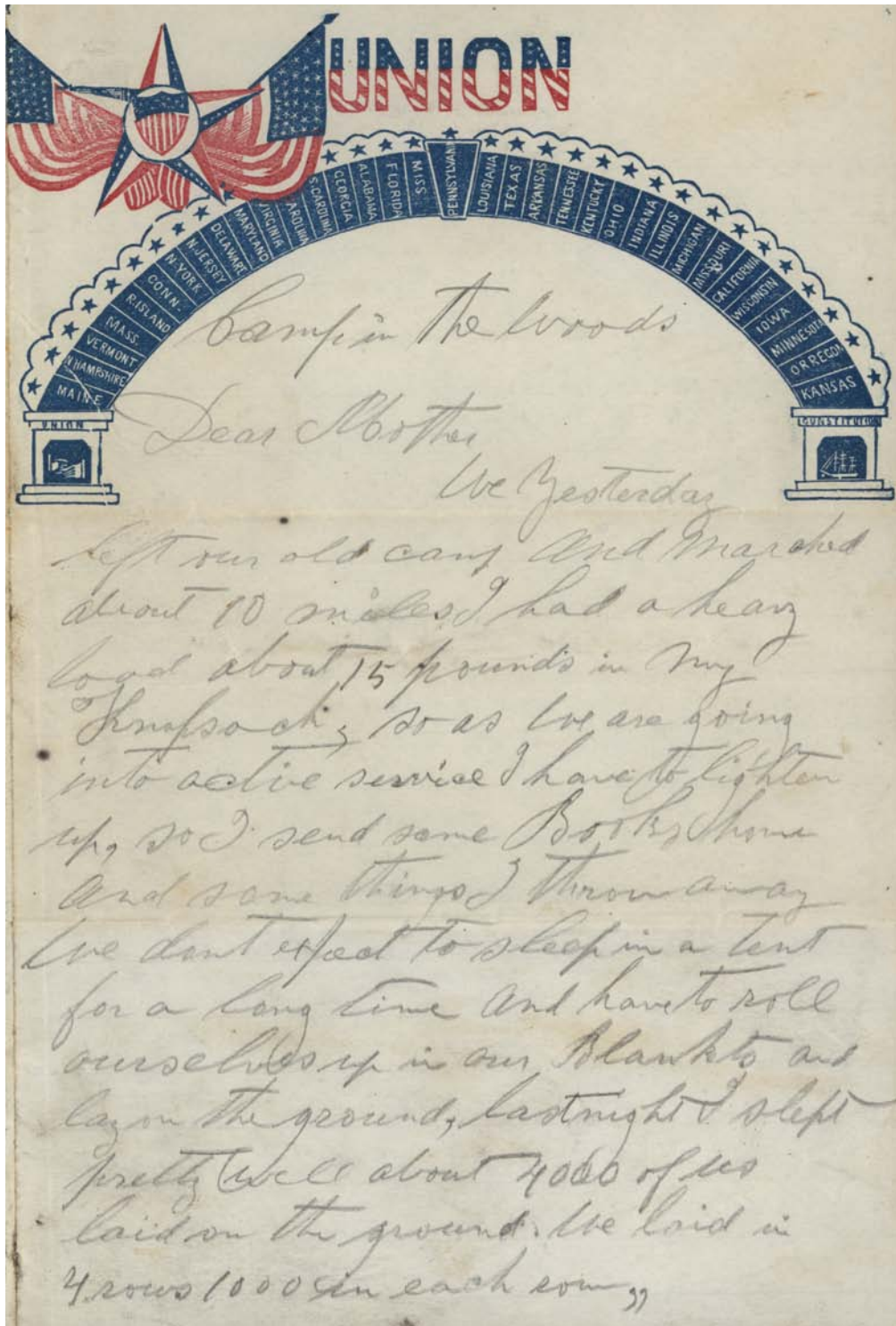
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Camp in the Woods

Dear Mother

We yesterday left our old camp And marched about 10 miles I had a heavy load about 15 pounds in My Knapsack, so as we are going into active service I have to lighten up, so I send some Books home And some things I throw away We dont expect to sleep in a tent for a long time And have to roll ourselves up in our Blankets and lay on the ground, last night I slept pretty well about 4000 of us laid on the ground. We laid in 4 rows 1000 in each row,,

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And we make 24000. And 6000  
are behind us, so there are 30.000  
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Manassas,, We will start again  
about noon, As soon as you get this  
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for the Paccage and have the Books  
put away, and put the Passport with  
My discharge,, I should not  
wonder if we were in a battle within  
48 hours,, but I think 30.000 men  
can go through with the work before  
a Great Many of the men gave out  
on the march And have ben coming in  
all night,, if Anything should happen  
to me, I want you to take My pay  
and get a gold case put on that watch  
of mine and keep it Yourself, it  
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Yours affectionately  
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