next pay day

I can keep comfortable this warm weather

Three Gentlemen just from Casper were down here on a visit; they stayed with us two nights then two of them went on down to the front to Atlanta. I expect they will be back in a few days then we shall hear something about how things are going down there — havn't heard any reliable news for some time. A few days ago all of the cavelry force that were here guarding this place were ordered to the front & I expect they are having a desperate struggle there, & I hope a final one

We get some flying reports here here about how the fight is going but as they are not reliable it is no use to circulate them

The business of those gentlemen from Casper — Mr Hemmingway, Evens & Warren — is to get substitutes or men to fill their town quota

They did not expect to come any further than Nashville, but when they got there they thought they would pay their own expences & come down here & see the country & army & a good many friends & acquaintances. They said it was astonishing how Sherman ever drove Johnson through a country so well fortified, naturally & artificially, as this is through here, & a distance of over one hundred miles Well I think so to but it

Expect we will get two months pay, now in a few days a month & a half more, & we get two months pay until