

Valerstedt Camp.

Feb. 8. 1871

Dear Dr. Hamelau,

I wish to acknowledge
receipt of the books
which you so kindly
sent. All the officers were
very much pleased &
they were snapped up
eagerly in the mess-
room.

Your donation
had an excellent effect
on other book owners.
So some of the officers
followed your example
& placed their own books
at the disposal of the

mess. Life here is extremely
interesting & healthy but
we are having a foretaste
of autumn weather &

Sincerely hope we will
move soon.

Once again many
thanks; & please give my
regards to your wife
& the other members of the
family.
Yours sincerely
Owen D. Jones