

December 22, 1903.

My Dear Grandfather:-

Merry Christmas to you and to all of the family. I would have written sooner but on account of our monthly examinations last week we were so busy that we hardly had time to do anything. Is everyone well in Fredericksburg? Are you having good

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weather for Christmas? Here, we're all having fine weather but no holidays. Our only days of no studies are Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

I received a letter from a West Pointer the other day and he said that they had nothing to do, not even studies and recitations until Jan. 2. It seems that they could do that here also.

Well, Grandfather, I close

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with my best love to Uncle Charley, Aunt Tony, and all the rest. Wishing you all a most Merry Christmas, I remain your loving grandson,

[signed]

Chester W Nimitz

Next week will write the results of my last monthly exams if they are posted by that time.