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*Handwritten text, likely an address or recipient name, written in cursive script.*



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were grazing on them some  
 getting to stay at home.  
 Well I was out in the woods  
 Yesterday we found a bunch  
 small it had been shot out of  
 a canon & it did not hurt  
 so I brought it in to camp next  
 Saturday we are going to find some  
 grass & stuff on it but it on fire  
 & hear it crack. I and my wife  
 our children, I beat him & went  
 took less than 12 dollars for it  
 I think I could hit a mouse  
 or hundred Yds with it  
 Well I have wrote several letters  
 to you & I think I keep so  
 pretty well I expect your letter  
 came here in 24 days pretty quick that  
 tells if you were here you would  
 like to live here I believe after the  
 year is over we will come here &  
 live here one year & see how it will go  
 off there is some of the best peach  
 trees here I ever saw & there are  
 lots of peaches last year I  
 had an smalling more on the  
 trees if we stay here we will get lots  
 of peaches. Well our cutter has got a  
 few things to see 3 sheets of paper  
 for 20 cts. 4 sticks of candy for 20 cts  
 10 cts for a bottle of ink  
 30 cts for a bundle of envelopes  
 4 cakes for 20 cts

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Nashville Tenn  
 March 4<sup>th</sup> 1863  
 Dear Wife I now want  
 myself to drop a few lines  
 to you to let you know how  
 I am getting along I am well  
 & hearty hoping these few lines  
 may find you well I got a  
 letter from you this evening  
 & I got one from Grand  
 Marshall & Tom Downing they  
 are well & are at Youngs point  
 & are above Vick's surgeon  
 the N. River. Well tomorrow  
 is my 29<sup>th</sup> day I will be  
 29 years old I believe I will  
 buy me a can of Peaches for  
 one dollar, & have a treat. I wish  
 I was there with you I would  
 feel better than eating peaches  
 But I'll bet I wont be there

to morrow. I dreamed last  
night that the Orderly come  
around with the names of the  
first ones that were to get  
furloughs. I thought he  
said Nate Ellis was one.  
I thought I asked him if my  
name was there & he would  
not tell me. I think there  
will be some of our Boys  
furloughed about the tenth of  
this month. The best soldiers  
& them that need need to go  
the most. I think I need to  
go but I wont go to begging  
for a furlough for it wont do  
my good. Well I sent my  
Ober Coat with six more to  
Tom Ward & I wrote to him  
to send word to you to get  
it. each coat has the name  
on a piece of paper.

& old Cate is dead is she  
well she might waited till  
I went home & seey her one  
more. I think St Louis  
Hickman had better hold  
on till the road is over for  
there has a Bill passed to  
draft six hundred thousand  
more & I think he will draw  
a prizey of fifteen a single  
fellow there. I would pitch out  
the 84th. I tell you the  
Boys are glad of it for they  
say they have as good right to  
come to fight for our homes  
as we had & I believe it is  
all right. Some of the boys  
around here write to H. C. &  
C. S. Brown that they were  
scarred in to the service by the  
draft & they would not be  
scarred in to it in fact they

from John Smith, he wants  
to buy my tools, but I don't  
want to sell them for I would  
have to buy more for I will  
have tools, he owes me about  
4 dollars for that stone I guess  
he will pay it this summer you  
understand what you piece of  
it how you got your fill  
of silver get. I have got 40 cts  
in silver I got last pay day  
at Louisa I am going to take  
it home a witness it is about  
1/2 lb I have been in camp

at Louisa get for it is  
worth 10 cts that comes at 9  
cents the candle is worth

write soon  
I am little  
John Little  
about to go to Louisa Tenn  
Co H 24th about 1/2  
Core of cap letter

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Well here I am on this  
piece of paper. The straw loaf  
bread now is half 4. black tea  
so we live pretty well.

I think we will get our pay  
some of these times we will  
get 20 dollars if we get it  
in a month from now  
there is 4 months stress but  
they always keep 3 months  
of it. I want to send  
20 dollar home but I don't  
know how I don't like to send  
it in letters. Well the health

is not so good so it was awhile  
back several of the boys have  
the disease here I guess the Dr.  
will cut off 6 of my finger  
it is dead up to the hand it is  
not so good. I would like to be in his  
shoes. Well I guess I must stop  
for this time. I got a letter

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home Well if so many that  
goes home I will have to go  
to some of these times  
I wrote to you last night  
before bed I guess I  
will keep you busy  
reading letters. You must  
write to me as often as you  
can I bought a package  
of paper for 40 cts I got 12  
sheets 12 envelopes & a nice  
Breast pin. I will send you  
a letter in a few  
days. I must stop writing  
for this time write soon  
Direct to Nashville Tenn  
Co H 84th Ind Vol  
Care of Capt Carter  
Isaac Little  
to Solly Little

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Camp Near

Franklin Tenn  
March 6th 1863

Dear Wife I now  
take my seat on the  
ground to drop a few lines  
to you I am well & hearty.  
I hope these few lines may  
find you well. Well yester  
was my birthday &  
I am 29 year old. Yesterday we  
were away on Bottolins Drill  
Col Atkins commanding this  
Battalion come out to us in the  
field on the gallop & told  
our Co to get ready in an  
hour to get on the cars to  
come here so we got ready  
& started about 4 o'clock & got  
here at 11 o'clock we had our  
old Engine & a big load so  
we got along slow for it

is only 15 miles from  
Nashville to Franklin we are  
about a mile west of Franklin  
there was a battle yesterday  
about 2 miles from here the  
rebels got the better of our  
forces they took two regts  
prisoners the 33<sup>d</sup> & 95<sup>th</sup> Ind  
it is supposed there was one  
killed the Ambulance went out  
with a flag of truce to get  
the wounded & bury the dead  
there is 14 wounded at a house  
in a hundred yards of where  
we are camped I went to the  
house but did not go in  
I saw their clothes that they  
piled of some of them were  
covered with blood it is  
reported that Capt Dille  
of the 33<sup>d</sup> Ind is killed he was  
to live in Winchester.

The 84<sup>th</sup> is camped in  
the tents of the 85<sup>th</sup>. One  
for we were ordered to take  
what provisions we could  
carry & our blankets we left  
our tents knapsacks & cooking  
things they have been  
ordered here. Well I guess the  
fight is over here for the  
rebels will leave for old  
Rosecrans is running men  
around them & keep them  
in & take them prisoners  
& we will do it sure  
if they dont get out of  
there our officers only hope  
they will stay there.  
Well Tom Haze got a letter  
from Coffins & there was  
some in it to me they  
said Tom Coffin had come

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I bought a paper  
this morning it was  
the price of things in  
Mobile it shows  
it is worth to read  
the state  
and the  
the  
at the

(1) Direct to  
(2) H. H. H.



Camp Near Washington  
March 8th 1860  
Dear Mother I take the  
pleasure to write a few  
lines to you I am well  
and hope you are the same  
I am very glad to hear  
that you are still here  
in camp & the troops are  
coming in every day there  
are 3 regts come in to  
day & the report is that  
General Rosecrans in the

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read of the rebels it thinks  
the rebels will get out of  
abolition if they don't they  
will all be captured  
the 33rd regiment Regts are  
nearly all the prisoners  
abolition the Journal  
but you had a letter  
here that night so  
I wrote to you yesterday  
yesterday & today is  
but it don't seem like  
Dandy to me but you  
on Sunday to day something  
comical & also I have  
a man I am a copulator  
all I have to do is to put  
in the paper any two I have  
for that I don't know you  
came to see me at home  
I thought you was going  
to stay I was with out

hiding one good day  
so it went to the care of  
got me an event home with  
now I thought I was at  
fery at meeting I was  
I thought I was glad to  
be at home. I this  
morning Let of that told  
me that the bridge  
bill had become law  
& we were in the breeze  
blowing over some of us  
we get but tonight I think  
we will get one after another  
we are a good deal of us  
heart to you quite well  
I'll be along through  
to please you love  
I'll I have not got time  
to write to you this time  
but it has not been long  
since I wrote

I bought a paper  
this morning it has  
the price of things in  
Mobile Alabama  
I will send it to you  
I will I hope to take  
for the time  
I will send you  
get this. I hope

Collyer's  
Direct to Washington  
Geneva

Off 24th 22



Camp Near Franklin Tenn  
March 25th 1863

Dear Wife it took the  
present to write a few  
lines to you. I am ever  
your affectionate husband

and may find you  
well. We are still here  
in camp & the troops are  
coming in every day there  
was 3 regts come in to  
day & the report is that  
General Rosecrans in the

rear of the rebels. I think  
the rebels will get out &  
skedaddle if they don't they  
will all be captured  
The 33<sup>rd</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>regiment</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>regiment</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>regiment</sup>  
nearly all taken prisoners  
of war. I hope the rebels  
but you hear something  
here that's out so  
I wrote to you day before  
yesterday & today is Sunday  
but it don't seem like  
Sunday to me for I'm  
on duty to day guarding  
convicts. I have  
6 men I am corporal &  
all I have to do is to put  
on the relief every two hours  
but well I dreamed you  
came to see me at Louisiana  
I thought you was going  
to start home with out

bidding me good bye  
so it went to the cars &  
got on & went home with  
you I thought I was at  
ferdy it's meeting one another  
I thought I was glad to  
be at home. If this  
morning Let Steel told  
me that the furlough  
bill had become a law  
& as soon as this breeze  
blows over some of us  
will get furloughs. I think  
I will get one after awhile  
and you must keep in good  
heart for you will see the  
the poking along through  
to where you live.  
Well I have not got much  
to write to you this time  
for it has not been long  
since I wrote

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Mr. J. J. Smith  
Harrisville  
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Camp near Franklin Tenn  
 March 13<sup>th</sup> 1863

Well I embrace the present to write a few lines to you to let you know how I am I am well & hearty & I hope these few lines may find you well & I am tired & sore for we just got back last evening from Duck river about 20 miles from here I will give you a history of our tramp we started last Monday out for the rebels but did not get quite far then there was a force of cavalry ahead of us they were skirmishing them & drove them back well we stoped in a field & built fires & lay down & about 12 in the night it commenced raining so we had to get up for our tents were left back so we got up & made fires & stood by them till day & it rained all the time next morning we started in the rain & marched a mile & went <sup>some</sup> into a woods & fixed to stay awhile & just got ready to make coffee & we had to start our movement all nearly night part of the time on double quick or a run till we come in a mile of where the rebel pickets were we stoped in the woods & fixed shelter with our guns & blankets for it was still raining & at

ten o'clock at night we had to go on picket  
till 3 o'clock the next morning our camp  
opened in the night they fired a great  
many shells one shell went through the  
house the rebel general was in they said  
he run out & left his hat & coat & a  
bottle of whisky on a table well they  
fired & screamed most of the day  
& that night the left so yesterday  
morning we started back. I saw two  
men that were wounded by the rebels  
as they were trying to get their wounds  
dressed & saw them digging the graves for  
2 of our soldiers the rebels had killed & as  
we come back by the battle ground the  
other side of Broad in some of the days  
that were in the fight there were taking  
up the dead for moving them for the rebels  
had not buried them good they put 25 in  
one grave & they stripped all their clothes  
of but drawers & shirts I saw lots of bullet  
holes in the trees & fence I think it was pretty  
warm there. Well the most the fire over the  
rebels took got away from them well here  
we are in camp again ready for another  
scout when our feet get over being so sore  
Well I have wrote 3 or 4 letters since I got one from  
you but it makes no difference for I think

will want to know how things are going  
here & I want to hear from you to  
as bad as you do me, but I want  
to get answers from you I will write you  
ever I can & you must too. I got two  
books yesterday sent to me from Winchester  
I expect Nate sent them. There is some  
Resolutions passed by the officers & soldiers  
of the 84th & other Regts you can show  
them to the folks & let them know  
what you think. Well I will have to  
quit for this time but I will give you  
a list of troops that were out ready to  
fight there was 72 Regts of Infantry  
14 Regts of Cavalry some hundred & 8  
pieces of cannon. I tell you the road  
was full of soldiers all under General Granger  
Well you must write soon & often  
I dreamed I was on my way home night  
before last I thought I got to picketts  
mill I thought it had but a little time  
to stay & I heard at the mill that you  
were at Coffee's first so I started on  
the Drum beat & waked me up so  
I did not get to see you so good by for this  
time Isaac Little To Sally Little  
Lieut to Nashville Tenn  
Co H 84th Ind vol care of Capt Carter

# PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS

ADOPTED BY THE

## SECOND BRIGADE, GENERAL BAIRD'S DIVISION,

IN CAMP NEAR NASHVILLE, TENN.,

MARCH 2, 1863.

Headquarters 2d Brigade, Gen. Baird's Division, }  
Camp near Nashville, Tenn., March 2, 1863. }

At a meeting of the Field, Staff and Line Officers of this Brigade, (composed of the 84th Indiana, 92d Illinois, 96th Illinois, and 115th Illinois Regiments of Infantry, and the 9th Ohio Battery,) held at Brigade Headquarters this day, at 9 o'clock, A. M., Col. SMITH D. ATKINS was called to the Chair, and Adj. I. C. LAWVER appointed Secretary. The following preamble and resolutions were read, separately acted upon, and adopted with entire unanimity. The same were read at the head of each Regiment and the Battery, this afternoon, at dress parade, and acted upon by the soldiers, with the result certified to below.

### PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, We, the Officers and Soldiers of this command, have, in common with our comrades in arms, cheerfully periled our lives and every earthly interest, to save to ourselves and to our posterity a Country and a Government, the same which, in historic times, were bought with blood, and established by that quality of wisdom which, though human, seems divine; and,

WHEREAS, A number of intriguing demagogues at home have recently, by word and act, sought to create disaffection among us, block the wheels of wise legislation, excite discontent in the public mind, and in every way, to baffle all earnest efforts to conquer the rebels; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we hold in utter detestation that clique of miscreants in the loyal States, who, under the garb of assumed loyalty, use the stolen revenue of such treason to excite petty treason in their own communities; who have no censures, save for the officers of our government—no complaints, save that energetic measures are employed to crush the rebellion—no aspirations, save to embarrass our Executive and Legislative Departments, and engender mutinies in our armies—and no hopes, save

for an ignoble peace and the substantial triumph of the rebels; that we regard them as enemies to our country and mankind, who to accomplish their hellish purposes, would not hesitate to blot forever from the hopes of man the cherished thought of self-government; and that they merit the scorn of all loyal citizens and true-hearted soldiers, combining, as they do, the deep guilt of the traitor with the essential meanness of the coward.

*Resolved*, That, despite the frenzied efforts of our foes before us and the despicable intrigues of our other foes behind us, we will abate not one jot of faith or hope; but, believing the maintenance of our government is worth all the cost expended in its establishment, we emphatically assure all traitors at home, that not until we have undergone a seven-years' struggle, (if need be,) will we cease this contest, and not until we have experienced such sufferings as were bravely endured at Valley Forge, will we begin to murmur. By all the sacrifices already made and hardships endured by us—by all the sufferings of our comrades in hospital and camp—by all the precious blood which has en crimsoned our Eastern and Western waters—by all the hearths made desolate, and heart-strings rent asunder, because of this wicked rebellion—we do solemnly pledge our honor as Americans and soldiers to see this contest through to a successful issue, or yield up our lives a willing sacrifice to our country's weal.

*Resolved*, That we are utterly opposed to any armistice or cessation of hostilities until our glorious flag of thirty-four stars waves triumphantly from the dome of every Capitol in our land.

*Resolved*, That we fully and unequivocally endorse the policy of our civil rulers, in using all necessary means to strike decisive blows at the unholy rebellion, and to bring the war to a speedy, sure and glorious termination, so that traitors in the South may meet with deserved punishment, and damnable traitors in the North may be brought to a terrible justice, "that hemp be not created in vain."

*Resolved*, That to the loyal millions who encourage us in our efforts, who sympathize with us in our hardships, and who rejoice with us in the successes of our armies, we tender such heartfelt gratitude as soldiers, facing a hostile foe, only can feel.

*Resolved*, That to Governor TOD, of Ohio. Governor MORTON, of Indiana, and Governor YATES, of Illinois, we extend our hearty thanks for their ceaseless labors in behalf of the soldiers from their respective States.

### ACTION OF THE SOLDIERS.

COL. S. D. ATKINS: *Sir*: The 84th Indiana Volunteers adopted the preamble and resolutions, submitted to them this evening at dress parade, unanimously.

March 2, 1863. SAMUEL ORR,  
Lt. Col. Comdg.

COL. S. D. ATKINS: *Sir*: The vote of the 96th Illinois Volunteer Infantry was given, without a single dissenting voice, in favor of the preamble and resolutions.

March 2, 1863. THOS. E. CHAMPION,  
Col. Comdg. Regt.

COL. S. D. ATKINS: *Sir*: The soldiers of the 92d Illinois Volunteers adopted the preamble and resolutions with enthusiastic unanimity.

March 2, 1863. B. F. SHEETS,  
Lt. Col. Comdg. Regt.

COL. S. D. ATKINS: *Sir*: The vote upon the preamble and resolutions, by the men of the 115th Illinois Infantry, was unanimously in favor, excepting forty six dissenting.

March 2, 1863. WM. KINSMAN,  
Lt. Col. Comdg.

COL. S. D. ATKINS: *Sir*: The vote of the 9th Ohio Battery, on the preamble and resolutions submitted this evening, was entirely unanimous in the affirmative.

March 2, 1863. H. A. TALLMADGE,  
1st Lieut. Comdg. Battery.

SMITH D. ATKINS,  
Chairman.

I. C. LAWVER, Secretary.



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*Mr. Shelly - Little  
Harris' River  
Humboldt Co. Cal.*



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To Holly Ann  
 I have written a few lines  
 the Kael Road along there  
 do you want me to sell it  
 or not. Nate says he will  
 give me 6 dollars for them  
 sheep the old ones dead  
 the other two had a  
 lamb apiece I think we  
 had better keep them  
 if we go. Well I guess  
 had better stop now

I have written so often  
 lately that I have no more  
 Write soon as you get this  
 Leave Little  
 To Holly Little  
 Direct to Nashville  
 Tenn

Co H 84th Inf Vol  
 care Capt Carter

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Camp Near Germ  
 Nashville  
 March 15th / 63  
 Sunday morning

I will write  
 a few lines to  
 you I am well & hearty  
 hoping these few lines  
 will find you well.  
 I got two letters from you  
 yesterday & one from Nate.  
 I'll tell you it was glad to  
 hear from you for it had been  
 about weeks since I had heard  
 from you. I think you will  
 get a lot of letters for I  
 wrote every 2 or 3 days for a  
 while we were moving about  
 we are stationary for a few

days. We were on grand  
Review Yesterday we were  
out about 2 miles in a big  
field the 1st Regt or  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> div. a lot of  
Artillery I tell you it was a  
nice sight the General which  
is General Baird. He was  
down the lines. I saw  
come through town back  
to camp one woman  
waved a Union flag  
at a window I tell you  
the boys did yell & cheer  
some of the women looked  
awful mad at us I can  
tell a cecesh woman when  
I see them for they look  
sour at us. I heard that  
the rebs had taken Louisa  
if they have I expect we

will move in to Ky next  
for we belong to 2<sup>nd</sup> Division  
3<sup>rd</sup> division Army of Ky.  
Will Hurra for Stone he  
must be quite notorious  
now if he is conscripted  
he will hate to leave her  
so soon. Well I would  
like to be there & help  
you eat away the best.  
Kind I will come around  
after awhile. so save me  
a lump till I come.  
Wate says he could get 20  
dollar for Queen but I dont  
want to sell her. Ed. Brown  
wants to buy our plau I wrote  
& told him I didnt care  
about selling it & that I  
should ask a thousand  
dollar for it they are working

about writing because we  
know for a letter sent  
to camp they would come  
on You can mail letters  
to one place till you get  
further orders that is no  
for Don not writing for a  
letter will follow as  
place that there is  
a mail route.

Well about furloughs it is  
a sure thing but there is  
some ideas here among the  
bad Officers that the rebels  
will attack this place & if  
so they want all the force  
here & if they do there  
will be a burnt town  
for we will burn Franklin



Dear  
Camp near Franklin  
March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1863  
Dear Wife I  
sent myself this  
Sunday evening  
to answer your

very acceptable letter which  
I recd to day. I am well &  
heartly except a slight cough  
I hope these few lines may  
find you well & in good  
health. I was corporal of the  
picket guard last night  
& I am sleepy I cant help  
write but I can write to  
you if I can to any body  
so here goes. I have got 6  
letters in 4 days that is the way  
I like to get them it does.

are more glad to get a good  
letter than a little. I got a  
letter from Tom yesterday he  
is still in the hospital cap  
says he will never be fit for  
service & he is going to give  
him a discharge. Tom has  
one of my blankets. There  
wrote to him to take it to  
you if he went home.  
You wrote that you didn't  
like it when you heard we  
left Nashville well I have  
got use to going whether  
I like it or not but I'll  
try to keep out of battle  
I might as well stay at  
home I don't care about  
getting in a fight if it can  
be helped for some  
body has to be hurt but

I am going to try the same  
duty & if I should get hurt  
it will be to defend my  
home & country but I don't  
think I will ever get a scratch  
I don't feel that way well  
enough about that you  
must not make yourself  
uneasy at all. I believe  
I wrote to you about our  
trip after the rebels out  
the other side of Frank's  
it was reported might before  
that some of our cavalry  
captured a train of the rebels  
& brought in I heard the  
Engine whistle as it come  
in to town I heard they  
got 2,000 prisoners. There is  
no manner of use for Don  
Pego or any body else to assist

The Marshall & Tom Downing  
they are in the 69th they have been  
in 3 fights I think I am lucky  
to get in the Regt.  
we are about 20 miles south  
of Nashville. I guess the pay  
master will be here this  
week. I saw Dave Smith  
the other day he said Newt  
Smith was about well again  
he was wounded at Mufless <sup>boro</sup>  
I heard once he was killed.  
You must quit & write to  
George. You must write  
soon to you can I am your  
Wife wishes to see you & please  
to write little.  
Direct to Nashville Tenn  
Co H 84th Regt Ill  
Care of Capt. [unclear]

for it is a grand  
cess hole it is about as  
big as Winchester the first  
rebel flag in this State  
was raised here & we have  
a big fort with the big  
guns on it. As soon as  
the danger is over here some  
body will be furloughed  
I dont know whether I will  
be the first or not.

The soil you were boiling  
and water I wish I was  
there to help you if you  
must let me a hand  
well it is well well I must  
stop a minute to go to answer  
to my name  
well here I am again  
I got a letter from the ~~the~~

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Mrs. Sally Pitt  
Harrisville  
Hendricks



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buy things while they are  
so cheap, well I will  
finish this report & await  
till the mail comes then  
I will write some I guess  
the train will be here this  
afternoon. I guess I  
will walk over to the  
fort & look at the  
big guns you need  
not look for me yet  
awhile for no one gets  
furloughs till the officers  
think the danger of an  
attack is over old Van Dorn  
is reported to be at Spring  
hill 8 miles from here  
but I guess he is afraid  
to come closer I love Solly,

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Camp near  
Franklin  
Tennessee

Thursday  
March 26th/63

I take my mail  
on a knapsack  
with a barrel head on  
my knees to write a few  
lines to you I am well  
& hearty except a cold I  
hope these few lines may  
find you well. we have  
not had any mail for  
two days owing to the  
rail road being tore up by  
the rebels night before  
last they made a dash at  
Frankfort Station about  
8 miles from here towards

Nashville they cut the  
telegraph & took 4 hundred  
of our men prisoners for  
they were there guarding the  
place they were parts of the  
19th Michigan & 23rd  
Wisconsin Regts the balance  
of the Regts were to the  
fight the other side of Franklins  
our men went out yesterday  
& run them & fetched in  
nearly a hundred prisoners  
& got the rebels base I run  
Well I was on duty last  
night & this morning our  
Regt went out on picket  
about a mile. The other side  
of Franklin so it will have  
to be on duty to night here  
in camp but I only have  
to be up 3 hours in the

night Tempzey is not  
very well now & Sam Gray  
is a little under the weather  
I wrote to you a few  
days ago I dont know what  
you will get it or not I  
hope nothing to do with  
thought I would write  
to you Well I just now  
let Temp have 5 to scrip  
for 5 to sutler check to go  
& get him a pickle, a  
pickle a little bigger than  
my thumb & about as  
long coats 5 to. the sutler  
is selling cider for ten to  
a glass he has boiled cider  
& he pours out a little in  
a bucket & pours water in  
& makes cider. I sticks of  
only 5 to. who would

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Saturday morning & I  
will drop a few lines  
to you if am well  
I hope these few lines  
may find you well  
we have not got any  
mail yet but I expect  
it will come to day  
Well I will write some  
to finish my other letter  
so here goes Martin Co is  
here in the bunk I think  
a heap of Martin  
Well I went out in a  
thick yesterday & got  
some Sweet Birch root  
I made 6 pipes & I have  
sold 5 of them for 10 cts.  
The 26th Regt left here  
yesterday & started back

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to Brent Wood a station  
on the Rail Road 8 miles  
from here where the rebs  
made a dash & took some  
of our men prisoners &  
tore up the tracks & cut  
the telegraph. I heard that  
this Brigade had to go  
back there if so we will  
have to go to day I expect  
Oh how it did rain last  
night I never heard it  
rain harder but it kept  
dry, but this morning the  
ground is stayed off in and  
the ground would be covered  
with water. I think this  
is one of best & prettiest  
countries I ever saw just  
to see the peach & plum trees  
out in bloom I expect it  
freezes in Fall yet.  
Well I must stop

pretty soon there  
was a regt moved up  
here in about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a  
mile I heard it was  
the old 8<sup>th</sup> Ind if it  
is I will go over &  
see the boys but I  
don't see I don't know that it  
is. Well I must stop  
please write soon  
& often from your  
Husband. He  
to my wife Sally.

Direct to Nashville Tenn  
Co H 84<sup>th</sup> Ind Vol  
Capt Carter

Isaac Little  
Sally Little



Mr. Sally Lill  
Harroisville  
Wando Sp. Co. S. C.

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about day light  
so we dont want to  
be surprised

Well must stop  
& write some to George  
& Margaret

Write soon & after

Love Little

To Sally Little

Direct to Nashville Tenn

C. H. & J. M. Vol

Care of Capt Carter

Camp near Franklin Tenn  
Sunday morning March 29<sup>th</sup> / 63  
Dear Wife I now set  
myself to drop a few lines  
to you I am well & hearty  
hoping these few lines may  
find you well. I wrote  
to you yesterday & I got  
a letter from you last  
evening wrote the 30<sup>th</sup>  
I was glad to hear from you  
I think there is a letter  
on the road somewhere  
for me. Well I think I  
will have a good time eating  
my sugar Egg how I would  
like to be here this morning  
to eat it Well I think  
P. W. does grow his hand  
look like it was, not  
big enough to handle a musket

but I hope he may never  
be collect on to go in to such  
work, I believe you write  
you did not like G. W. for  
a name well tell me of some  
name that would suit you  
or you can name him your  
self if you can get a name  
to suit you I will be satisfied  
Well I think our losses are  
pretty high but I suppose  
it is on account of the war  
day after to morrow there will  
be 5 months pay due us  
I dont know when we will  
get our pay the pay master  
is afraid to come here while  
things are so unsettled  
the money is ready at  
Nashville, the Rail Road  
is fixed so the train come  
through last evening the  
post master said the rebels

some of our mail I recore  
that is the reason I did not  
get your other letter,  
You must not think  
hard if you dont get letters  
often from me for some  
times the mail gets robed  
You have cold weather there  
to day it is cool & windy  
here to day You must  
not get discouraged because  
I dont go home for we  
cant get furloughs till  
things get settled here  
a little. We have to get  
up at 4 o'clock in the morning  
& put on our traps & guns  
& form in line sometimes  
we stay out till day light  
if it is cold or wet we  
come in the bunk & keep  
our things on for the rebels  
most always make the

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Mrs Sally M. Moore  
Harrisville  
Horn Lake, Miss.



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but our officers think  
there will be a fight here  
some of these times for  
the rebs want this place  
but keep in good heart  
the longer it is till I get  
to go home the time  
will be the shorter that  
I have to stay away.  
Some think that we  
won't get any more  
furloughs for the war will  
be over pretty soon. Old  
General Bronger said  
that in 30 days something  
would turn up that  
would make every soldier  
glad. I would like to know  
what it is but if I  
had a furlough ready to  
start home & there was

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Camp near Front  
Gen  
March the 30th 1864  
Dear Wife I  
now seat  
myself to write  
a few lines to you to  
answer your very acceptable  
letter which I recd today  
it found me well &  
happy I hope these few  
lines may find you well  
I got 4 letters today yours  
one from Miles one from  
J. H. Hymas one from  
John Smith's for mother sent  
one some home made  
shugar it was but a  
little dose but it was  
sweet

Well I guess I read of Quator  
I dont know all the Military  
my one for we have not  
been to for neither will  
ave as I know of. About  
Senaps writing about us  
not knowing enough to  
eat was when we were  
on that trip after the  
rebels we had some  
troubles in our house  
& there was one of two  
waggons with crockes  
we run out of most every  
thing to eat we did get  
a fire ready to get dinner &  
had to move but that  
is nothing I have got use  
to that. I always keep  
ready for such a that  
I avial I had a barrel

of Otraw berry mill  
I could sell it for  
ten cts a pint but I  
would drink lots of it  
I could get about a gals  
of apple butter for 45 cts but  
I dont avout some  
the how plenty to eat and  
so it is I dont think I  
will sell my land but  
Nate says Ed will give  
a thousand dollars for it  
I hundred a year but if  
S. B. H. goes through we  
might as well be in a  
mine as any body  
as for Queen I avout take  
less than a hundred for  
her & I am not keen to  
sell her Well about furloughs  
it seems like a good while

was going to be a fight  
right away I would  
hate to leave till it was  
over it seems to me if  
I went to be with the  
boys if any thing goes  
of that way I would  
see it & not how to  
ask them all about it  
I feel like I would  
come out with out a  
scandal I dont feel any  
way keen to get in a fight  
but if it comes I have  
made up my mind to  
do my duty & do all I  
can Well I write to you  
on George & Margaret day  
before yesterday I think  
tom little will be at

in a few weeks for  
Cap sent his discharge  
papers to him at Nashville  
Well paper & things are  
cheap there we have to  
pay 5 cts for 3 sheets of  
paper & the same for envelopes  
I have bought right  
amount of hard bound  
Candy at 5 cts a stick  
but it is long sticks  
I have a slight cough  
& I think it helped  
it so hard to keep from  
taking cold sometimes getting  
up out of bed warm & going  
out in the cold in the morn  
Will I must quit write &  
soon & after you soon  
I gave little to Polly ditto  
Direct to Nashville Tennessee  
as before the little