



M^{rs} Mrs 23rd Mch^y 1864
Mosey Creek Tenn March 30th 64

Dear Wife

I received to day a letter from you of March 17th and I was glad to hear that you & Frankie were both well and I hope that you will continue so you say that she says that I am coming home and that she talks of me so much. Oh how I wish that I could hear her I am glad that she is so much company for you. We were paid yesterday four months pay & received four hundred and nine dollars. I last night I bought two drafts to send to you one of one hundred dollars & one of one hundred & fifty dollars I transmit herein the one hundred dollars draft which I have made payable to your

order. and you can get the money
on it at the Bank by signing your
name on the back. I send this
by mail as I have no other way
at present, or I would have sent
it all in one draft I know that
you are in need of money and I
want you should have it as soon
as possible. The other draft I will
send to you in a few days either
by mail or by the hands of some
responsible person that goes north
if one should go. You may use
the money as you think best
pay your debts and use all that
you want of it. You may pay on
the place to Mr Galiger what you
think you will not need for your
own use. taking his receipt there
for or have it endorsed on the
Contract. I have kept one hundred
and fifty Dollars for my own use
or to use what will be necessary

for me to use before next pay day
I do not think that I shall use
more than half of it and if you
get out of money I will try and
send you fifty Dollars more. as I
can make 6 hundred Dollars last
me four months I think that we
will be paid in two months as the
Paymaster told us yesterday. If we
are paid in that time I can send
the most of it to you. My expences
are nearly five Dollars a week and
we have to pay the largest price for
every thing that we buy. I had to pay
fifteen Dollars for a pair of Boots to
day. and. as I shall need a few more
cloths. I may have to use a few Dollars
that way. I want you to use the
money that I send you to make your
self & ^{the} family comfortable and you
will oblige me. Write as soon as you
receve this and let me know when you
get it I will try and send you my ambrot
pe in a day or two

Take good care of Grandpa and also
of your self I will try to come
home as soon as I can. when Col
Spaulding gets back. Keep up your spirits
and be a good Girl. If you think best to move
up on the farm and rent the house do so but
do not rent to anyone that will be poor pay
and a house full of children that would be
a nuisance to your neighbors. Give my love
to Father & Mother Sarah & Harrison & tell Letter
to be a good Girl and go to school all that she can
Dan will get along any way and little Nell how
is she does she grow. Tell Jane Delevigne to write more
next time. Lute is well as usual. and the every
same boy that he used to be. Well Susan the
Sergeant Major has the bed made and gone to
bed. and it is time that I was there so good
night and happy dreams. The Sergt Major that
I have now is a good fellow and helps me more
about my writing than the one I had before he used
to be a clerk in a store at Flint. and I make good
use of his penmanship. Look for another letter
soon my respects to all inquiring friends and
believe me as ever yours

Affectionately, Dear Wife

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