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Camp Prespoint March 5 1862 Dear Friends take up ing prese 1 am well at fresent and drope the for lines may friend you all in the Same state of helth a recised a letter from you and man get ad of soldiers to some all all according old carry yet but we do not know wen ne will leave it neals all well i would like to be the they to mile with you all a could tell you some good That my to nite

But Dear pliends i think it along Time to see you all me masch ency day about fix miles I every day with ony map sables amound every thing that we Leave i would total to be at some a ben clays with you all i am leapy to sind me my love the year all i Mainta that this the wall will from he are and then. safel to spend a happy expects to get prayed the post long

- se eined the letter Land The stanges me have and buttet to pite yet and there The wall will be and then i hope to get Sevene till next summed i send my land to you all and hope to git through this ware and get home Tape it is mire months since i left Sword i spent a hoppy time ever since i left home me will soon me at ayarn and have a happy time nathing made at mesunt but titu soon umlondes olls John I buddy Camp Pierpoint March 5 1862

Dear friends

i take up my pen to informe you that i am well at presant and hope thes few lines may find you all in the same state of helth i recived a letter from you and was glad to here from you all we are in our old camp yet but we do not know wen we will leav it we are all well i would like to bee up ther to nite with you all i could tell you some good storrys to nite

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But Dear friends i think it along time to see you all we march evey day about six miles every day with our nap sacks on and every thing that we have i would like to be at home a few days with you all i am happy to send me my love to you all i think that this ware will soon be over and then we may all git home safe to spend a happy life with you we expects to git payed be fore long

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i recived the letter and the stamps we have one battel to fite yet and then the ware will be over then i hope to git home till next summer i send my love to you all and hope to git through this ware and git home safe it is nine months since i left home i spent a happy time ever since i left home we will soon meat again and have a happy time nothing more at presant but rite soon remember me

John T Cuddy

Mr John H Cuddy

Monda March 19 1862 Transports sent song solle to site a few ... and to gove to et gate maior That I am work det preant and hope the LOW Comer man find you all the me left and ord - comp last. mandy and have len marching all well and are now one mile from eller carrier now hint we do not man how

long we will stay for me are going to some place on inates Suffere long and had and of the hardest nich that ever issaw and ware ant all the time and it was met all the time ine are all well a send my cove to you all and hope to see you all waranass and a think This wast will love the over and then. i hope to get home again are marched livery day about sevention miles Elast week.

Meare one mile Grown Messian der now but we now mat sien me will leave this it has len a met week and me wall aut all the time me have on long mour and do not an out. outn ent will git hayed off more for me are marching overy day int all all will i am happy to Sund. my love to you all i hope to get home in a few months moer me have ben nearly storned for the south hay lin so dad that we could not git

out provision after is i would to he y you would send me Cettes son like to one a send my love to Jan all rite soon desdat samp letters to the Some plast I think this ware will soon be over and their i trate to git home i benot my love to your all John Hondely

Monday March 17 1862

Dear friends

i set my selfe down in a iboad[?] to rite a few lines to you to let you now that i am well at presant and hope thes few lines may find you all in the same state of helth we left our old camp last monday and have ben marching all week and are now one mile from Alexander now but we do not now how

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long we will stay for we are going to some plase on water before long we had one of the hardest weeks that ever i saw we ware out all the time and it was wet all the time we are all well i send my love to you all and hope to see you all before long we have manasses and i think this ware will soon be over and then i hope to git home again we marched evey day about seventeen miles last week

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We are one mile from Alexander now but we now not wen we will leav this it has ben a wet week and we ware out all the time we have no tents now we do not now wen we will git payed off now for we are marching evey day we are all wet i am happy to send my love to you all i hope to git home in a few months now we have ben nearly starved for the roads has ben so bad that we could not git

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our provisons after us i would like if you would send me one doller in the next letter you rite to me i send my love to you all rite soon derect your letters to the same plase i think this ware will soon be over and then i hope to git home i send my love to you all

John T Cuddy

John H Cuddy

Masoh 23 1862 Camp near at le kander Dear friends a set my seff down to ente a few lines to zon to let zun now that a am well at present and hape thes few lines may find you all in the same state inf helle rul expect. to law this to morrow morning but we do not now where we are to go me are all well and i send my

Dear friends , think This inale will soon he ares lefore long and then i hope to git home and strend a happy life with you all again i timbe The time long to see you all but 1 . to age to get hume be fore long i send my love to seen all and hope that you all are traffy rue diave other taying ant for the week! in the open are bent we are happy as con be

Deas friends i have this ward will soon be over and then i think me will git home to you all and all . the girles ry thes & and tell then not to get marryed till i git home i recised that letter and the maney and i will send gan same as boons as me git grayed off i send my loud to son all

nothing will at proant but Let one now how son all as giting alon southern more at organismon mu John I bud dy March 23 1862 Camp near Alexander

Dear friends i set my self down to rite a few lines to you to let you now that i am well at prsant and hope thes few lines may find you all in the same state of helth we expect to leav this tomorrow morning but we do not now where we are to go we are all well and i send my love to you

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Dear friends i think this ware will soon be over before long and then i hope to git home and spend a happy life with you all again i think the time long to see you all but i hope to git home before long i send my love to you all and hope that you all are happy we have ben laying out for too weeks in the open are but we are happy as can be

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Dear friends i hope this ware will soon be over and then i think we will git home i send my love to you all and all the girles up ther and tell them not to git marryed till i git home i recived that letter and the money and i will send you some as soon as we git payed off i send my love to you all

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nothing more at prsant but rite soon and let me now how you are all giting along nothing more at prsant remember me

John T Cuddy

Mr John H Cuddy

Camp near Alexander March the 28/862 Deas friends I take up my pen to write a few lines to let you soon that 1 am well at preant and hape thes few lines may find zon all in the same state of hello we have neat left here get but me do not now when ne Will ga me ave all wel and happy I hope to git home this summer foriel soon a over

showing Dear friends 1 got the money that you sent me i thank you very march for it i hope to get through this ware and git hame sope I than he the time long. but a hope that this wase will be over before long i send my love to gon all and hapon to git hazir & son a few months made and spend a happy life with you all i would like very much to see you all

wie have went through some has de times but i think me have seen as harde times as we can see i hope to figit home This Summer and Spend The rest of my life with your all i send niz love to Jone all nothing mare at pres ant lint rite soon and let me now how you Abs John Holiddy

Camp near Alexander March the 28 1862

Dear friends

i take up my pen to rite a few lines to let you now that i am well at prsant and hope thes few lines may find you all in the same state of helth

we have not left here yet but we do not now when we will go we are all well and happy i hope to git home this sumer for i think this ware will soon be over

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Dear friends i got the money that you sent me i thank you very much for it i hope to git through this ware and git home safe i think the time long but i hope that this ware will be over before long i send my love to you all and hope to git home in a few months more and spend a happy life with you all i would like very much to see you all

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we have went through some harde times but i think we have seen as harde times as we can see i hope to git home this sumer and spend the rest of my life with you all i send my love to you all nothing more at presant but rite soon and let me now how you all are rite soon

John T Cuddy

Mr John H Cuddy

Camp near Alexander Aprile the 3 1862 Coas friends i to take y pen to site a few lines to let you now Med i am well at presant and have the few lines may find you all in the Same . State of tellh i herd that thes was a grate many people Sich up thes i was sorry to here that alfred and franky was sich dich henderson gat here this morning and he told nee that they word gitting leter nen he bleft home wham sorry that i consist git

Dear friends i think the time long to see you all but i hope that this ware midl Soon lie we expect to git paged aff in a days and then i will Sond some money home 1 think this ware mile soon be aver before long and then i hope in to git have we think that we are the first that will be distehasged and we will be the first at home i send my love to you all and Scape to sel Jon all ing a few months more ne expects Is leav this onen we. git payed

Dear friends i think i must being my letter to a clare Site soon and lest me now to ou are all giting along John I buddy John Ho Endy

Camp near Alexander Aprile the 23 1862

Dear friends i take [up my words added] pen to rite a few lines to let you now that i am well at presant and hope thes few lines may find you all in the same state of helth i herd that ther was a grate many peopel sick up ther i was sorry to here that alfred and franky was sick dick henderson got here this morning and he told me that they ware giting beter wen he left home i am sorry that i cannot git home for a few days

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Dear friends i think the time long to see you all but i hope that this ware will soon be [over *words added*] we expect to git payed off in a day and then i will send some money home i think this ware will soon be over before long and then i hope to git home we think that we are the first that will be discharged and we will be the first at home i send my love to you all and hope to see you all in a few months more we expect to leav this wen we git payed

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Dear friends i think i must bring my letter to a close rite soon and let me now how you [ow/y words added] are all giting along

John T Cuddy

John H Cuddy

Aprile the 30 1862 pleasure i take up my pen to vite a few times to let you now that i am well at presant and hope thes few lines may find you all in The same state of heth we are at The rapah having che vives one mile from frodriches burg ne are sixty miles grow inchried non we are all well and had a harde days march yestudas we marched twenty one miles i would like to see you all . but i hope that it will not be long till i can be with you all again lime trances long we wase musterded to day for and too monther pay ne regject to git paged of in a few days againe to think in a few mon thes more this ware will be over for i am tiard of it i have seen a next of verginega mow i have len soldgesing a leven monothes naw i would like to be with your all to with but i ca

Aprile The 30 1802 Miss christing 10 de De as feiends. the time soanes long for to see you all but i hope that god will spare me to get home to see y an all a gain we are laging along the raph hards lives now but i am happy to send my love to four all i think of home now for and band is playing now for retreat i would like to be with you all i could tell you some good starys of the wall i west bring my letter te a close for i have one to rete yet to arina and the bond is playing for setreat i send my love to you all and hope to be with you all in a few mon this most rate soon and let me now if you got the money is sent Eile som send me some stampes Tokat buddy alls John Ho buddy

Aprile the 30 1862

Dear friends with pleasure i take up my pen to rite a few lines to let you now that i am well at presant and hope thes few lines may find you all in the same state of helth we are at the rapahhanick [Rappahannock] river one mile from fridrickes burg we are sixty miles from richmond now we are all well and had a hard days march yestuday we marched twenty one miles i would like to see you all but i hope that it will not be long till i can be with you all again time seames long we ware musterded to day for our too monthes pay we expect to git payed of in a few days again i think in a few monthes more this ware will be over for i am tiard of it i have seen a nuf of vergineya now i have ben soldgering a leven monthes now i would like to be with you all tonite but i can [not words added]

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Dear friends

the time seames long for to see you all but i hope that god will spare me to git home to see you all again we are laying along the raphhaick [Rappahannock] river now but i am happy to send my love to you all i think of home now for our band is playing now for retreat i would like to be with you all i could tell you some good storrys of the ware i must bring my letter to a close for i have one to rite yet to anna and the band is playing for retreat i send my love to you all and hope to be with you all in a few monthes more rite soon and let me now if you got the money i sent you and send me some stamps rite soon

John T Cuddy

Mr John H Cuddy