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Camp at Alexander July 17 1863 Dear Father I seat my self to write to you to informe you all that i am well at. fellsant and hopeing you all The same a secrued a letter from you on the 14 1 was glad to here from you it nas about six needles dince. i had herd from you we are laying at alexander get no will lay here for a few neets moil for ne tent men for deafted men To fill and devision up to Mes after nimber we are all in good helth and hopeing to see Thisward ares

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Ques and their we can When home and live in peac ayain i have not much more to write now. but a send my love to you all and thank you for that doller gan tent me i trame not hird from anna far and two month but a do , not care much for i can get as good ones eien i get home nathing more at heerout but write soon to ine my love to you all remain gans true son John I buddy me John H Guddy

Camp at Alexander July 17 1863

Dear Father

I seat my self to write to you to informe you all that i am well at presant and hopeing you all the same i received a letter from you on the 14 i was glad to here from you it was about six weeks since i had herd from you we are laying at alexander yet we will lay here for a few weeks more for we sent men for drafted men to fill our division up to its old number we are all in good helth and hopeing to see this ware over

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I hope it may be over till next spring our army has bean suchsess full [successful] for the last month we have nearly all of ther strong holts we have vicksburg port hudson and have charleston by this time and have nipped lee in pennyslvana and drove him out of meryland he is retreating down threw verginia as fast as he can we have good news every day now and hope to the end of this rebelion before long we have a man in command of the army of the potomack now we have only ten month more to stay in the army now and by that time i hope this ware will be

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over and then we can return home and live in peac again i have not much more to write now but i send my love to you all and thank you for that doller you sent me i have not hurd from anna for over two month but i do not care much for i can get as good ones wen i get home nothing more at presant but write soon to me my love to you all

remain your true son

John T Cuddy

Mr John H Cuddy

Camp at alexander congust 41863 Dear Friends I seat my self to write a few lines to impound you all that i am well at presant and hopeing garall The same i recived a teller from you to day i was great to here brom gan orgain i thank you for that doller you sent me This ware will soon to were and then i hope to get have again I would like to beat home a few days more list i can realt wind month and Lucture days and Then if i am a live i will get home to spren a few happy days with you all again i availed like to now Treat home to see all then

The Time slips around very fast here for ne all on guara every other day in the city and we have a good time her but I hope and pray to get Threw this mare safe and spend a happy life with you all this ware will not last much longer then next spring and Then the will be a happy time to us all i send my table to maggy and The lay, and to you all and tell Thomas Fiblers to with to me I troudd like li. here from them I do not think much of the gibles now and i don't want to think much of them mon for i have not time to write to eny now i rish i was at home to nite i think i would have some good times to gether

the time is long to see you all and to be with I am all I send my love to four all i have not much to with now their is no new here we are expecting to here of the fall of charleston and then we will have nearly all the throng holds and then the wave will soon be over and then we will me tagain to spend a few happy days with you all I got them Tham for gan sient me i thank yan part their nothing mod at present but write soon to ne umain just the son Thin Guddy Mi John H Endy

Carline Nov 1881 Dear fruch it is routh Mr Guddy & a buddy Maggie Class Courtina Country Wort beiddy Carline Courty Campriond

Camp at alexander August 4 1863

Dear Friends I seat my self to write a few lines to informe you all that i am well at presant and hopeing you all the same i received a letter from you today i was glad to here from you again i thank you for that doller you sent me this ware will soon be over and then i hope to get home again i would like to be at home a few days now but i can wait nine month and twelve days and then if i am a live i will get home to spend a few happy days with you all again i would like to be at home to see all them nice girls now

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The time slips around very fast here for we are on guard every other day in the city and we have a good time here but i hope and pray to get threw this ware safe and spend a happy life with you all this ware will not last much longer then next spring and then ther will be a happy time to us all i send my love to maggy and the boys and to you all and tell Thomas Giblers to write to me i would like to here from them i do not think much of the girles now and i dont want to think much of them now for i have not time to write to eny now i wish i was at home to nite i think i would have some good times to gether

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the time is long to see you all and to be with you all i send my love to you all i have not much to write now ther is no news here we are expecting to here of the fall of charleston and then we will have nearly all ther throng holds and then the ware will soon be over and then we will meet again to spend a few happy days with you all i got them stamps you sent me i thank you for them nothing more at presant but write soon to me

remain your true son

John T Cuddy

Mr John H Cuddy

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Carlisle Nov 1881

Dear frieds [?] it is with Pleasure

Mr Cuddy A Cuddy
Maggie Glass [?] Carlisle
Maggie Cumberland
County
PA [?]

A Cuddy Carlisle County County [?] Carlisle Cumberland

[written perpendicular to other text] Magge Glen Glens

Camp at alexander August 23#1863 Dear Mother I take the Thestuning to write a for times to imporme you all that am well at present and hopeing you all the lame i recived a letter from you today i was glad to here from you all we are till at alexander and expect to stay here the text of our; time i hope we may for ne have good times lest we take converily and to the army lucy day ne get siding cars about fifty miles every other day we have only eight month and a half to They in the army now

That will soon pass around i hope to get home next apring but i wonder like to be at hand to nite i think i would have a fine times i am living in hopes now can not get home now but hope and frag to get home afe uen my time is out in The army i have all ways bean a good soldier and have don my duty i am still a privet and will Day are while i am in the aimy but if i get home safe i will never saldier eng mod if i auget ant of it for a soldier that des his duty dos not gent en more honory then and that dos not his duty but i am contented and happy and in ghod helth

I hope to get home sofe and live a happy like with I an all again i know most a hout the world non then ever i did before i nas alluay a had hoy are i was at home but if i get home i hope to be a littles bog then I was i will and ben minteen years ald in two month and i have two trades and lean two years and it half in the umy their wot meny hazo as zong as i' am and have don what i have I would like to be at home this treens with you all I dend my love to maggy and the hays and all the iest of you i have not much to mite now wesh you would send me a few Hamps of your pleas

nothing invie it present Ent write soon to me John F. Gaddy This John Fo Cuach Camp at Alexander August 25th 1863

Dear Mother I take the oppertunity to write a few lines to informe you all that i am well at presant and hopeing you all the same i recived a letter from you today i was glad to here from you all we are still at alexander and expect to stay here the rest of our time i hope we may for we have good times here we take converips [conscripts] out to the army every day we get riding on the cars about fifty miles every other day we have only eight month and a half to stay in the army now

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That will soon pass around i hope to get home next Spring but i would like to be at home to nite i think i would have a fine time i am living in hopes now i can not get home now but i hope and pray to get home safe wen my time is out in the army i have all ways bean a good soldier and have done my duty i am still a privet and will stay one while i am in the army but if i get home safe i will never soldier eny more if i an [can] get out of it for a soldier that dos his duty dos not gent [get] eny more honour then one that dos not his duty but i am contented and happy and in good helth

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I hope to get home safe and live a happy life with you all again i know more a bout the world now then ever i did before i was all ways a bad boy wen i was at home but if i get home i hope to be a better boy then i was i will only be ninteen years old in two month and i have two trades and bean two years and a half in the army ther is not meny boys as yong as i am and have don what i have i would like to be at home this eveing with you all i send my love to maggy and the boys and all the rest of you i have not much to write now i wish you would send me a few stamps if you pleas

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Nothing more at presant But write soon to me

remain your true son

John T Cuddy

Mr John H Cuddy

Campo At Alexander Sef. timber 20 1863 Dear Parents I take the Opportunity to write a few lines to imporme you all that I am well at presant and hopeing you all the same i Elcived a letter from you the ather day i was glad to here broin you all me are still at alexander sul have cold nether sheel now we have good news from the fount and charlestown will face be fore long and general ellead will take richonound and that will end the war we have only eight month more to stag in the army now we hope to stay here The rest of our time

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Samuel Me Beth came back to the company he is looking well he told mie that he was at home and saw you all that is all at presant J H Gnag

Camp At Alexander September 20 1863

Dear Parents I take the Oppertunity to write a few lines to informe you all that i am well at presant and hopeing you all the same i recived a letter from you the other day i was glad to here from you all we are still at alexander we have cold wether here now we have good news from the frunt and charlestown will fall before long and general Mead will take richmond and that will end the ware we have only eight month more to stay in the army now we hope to stay here the rest of our time

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We are all in hopes to see the ware over till spring i hope to get threw this ware safe again i wish i was at home tonite i could tell you all some good things about the ware i have not much to write at presant i send my love to you all and hope to get home safe again and spend a happy life with you all it is one year since i was at home but it will only be eight month till i get home now if nothing happen to us now i was out to day and getherd about ten quarts of grapes ther are nice ones nothing more at presant but write soon

John T Cuddy

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J H Cuddy

Camp At Alexander September 23 1863 Dear Mother & Takes The pleasure of writing a few times to in pame you all that e am well at presant and hopening you all the same I elcived a letter from your today a was glad to here five zon all are at alexander jet and hope to stay here the rest of an time sex are all m good tielle ne have good news from the finnt ne save only eight month to stay in The admy und then i hape to get home sege again and live a happy life guith you all again

We have cool wether here now we have good times here and plenty to eat and se would like to leat home to mitt with you all i would tell you same good things about the times i had in The army if i get home rofe again i hope to. do same good for you all i have not much to write to Jun now i send my land to gave all and hope to get home sofe and spend a happy lift with you all a gain nothing made at presant but mite soon to me uniain your san John I Enddy Mis organs buay

Camp At Alexander September 23 1863

Dear Mother I take the plesure of writing a few lines to informe you all that i am well at presant and hopeing you all the same i recived a letter from you today i was glad to here from you all we are at alexander yet and hope to stay here the rest of our time we are all in good helth we have good news from the frunt we have only eight month to stay in the army and then i hope to get home safe again and live a happy life with you all again

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We have cool wether here now we have good times here and plenty to eat and i would like to be at home to nite with you all i would tell you some good things about the times i had in the army if i get home safe again i hope to do some good for you all i have not much to write to you now i send my love to you all and hope to get home safe and spend a happy life with you all again nothing more at presant but write soon to me remain your son

John T Cuddy

Mrs Agness [Agnes] Cuddy