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Dear Maria

Again it is Thursday and I will try and write you a few lines though I presume my letter will be dry and uninteresting as there is scarcely any thing transpiring now a days here worth telling. You wished to know about Thomas Coniffe who used to correspond with Jane Lawrence I am not certain whether he deserted or enlisted in the Regular Army, if he did enlist I never got official notice of it and so reported him as a deserter. As to his character I know nothing bad except that he will get drunk occasionally and that I think is enough to know against him or any one. He has not been with us for nearly two months - Since I last wrote I have had five teeth filled and two of them were quite bad and it cost me \$10- but I presume I will never regard it as one of the worst was a front tooth, probably before this reaches you, you will have received the \$80- draft which I sent last Saturday by mail. I think I was quite fortunate in recovering the money.