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Sister Almada.

I will pass away a few moments of this pleasant Saboth day in writing a few lines to let you know that I am well - and hope these lines may find you enjoying the same great blessing.

I recd your and Mother's kind letters of the 14th the next day after I finished my last letter to her; I was glad to hear from you and the rest; I also had one from Samantha the same time wrote the 12th, I am glad she is getting better and hope she will continue to gain until she is well and smart; She wrote that she had got a good place to board - and some very nice young people for company that were boarding there at the same place. I should like to take my old black plate and cup and go to their cook and draw my rations for supper and then go and sit down in one corner and get out my jack knife and commence eating my supper. I think it would be quite a treat for me and I would not wonder if it would be quite amusing to the company looking on; but instead of that I expect some ^{port &} bread - Crackers and perhaps some coffee; so I am all right yet,