

Head Quarter 10th St

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Darling wife

I have just got in of Pickett wet and cold - have been out in the worst storm we have had this winter - somehow it has stormed most all the time since you left and now the mud is awful - Your little note with Mother's good long letter came this evening and you know very well how glad I was to receive it, for several reasons. In the first place it was the first word I have heard from home since you left (and some days before), and I was very glad to hear that the children and all were so well, and especially that Mother was in such good spirits, and felt so well about your "staying as long as you pleased", and secondly that you arrived home all safe and sound with money