

Beaufort, South Carolina, January 28, 1865

Dear Father & Mother,

I set down to write a few lines to day
for I think I can rite more this time
I wrote a letter yesterday & I was in such
a hurry, that I could not write much
but we are in camp yet ~~at the same place~~ yet
& may stay here a week & we may
~~not~~ have orders to march ~~is~~ before
I get this letter I wrote we are going
for Charleston when we live General
Sherman is very nere the place I
expect & he is bound to go in with his
Army & take the place if they dont
come to his terms, General Sherman
made a big Road when we come through
Georgia & took Savannah & South Carolina
hats to have him come through & scour
the country, so they ^{want to} are come to some
terms but if not we are going Strate
through & take Charleston we go in after
the place is taken & fortify the place

we are Camped about 50 Miles from
Charleston & bout 60 Miles from Savannah
were Buford. I think if we get Charleston
that the war will be over this Spring
I hope so at any Rate. The wether is
quite cold it freezes ice half a inee thick
& there is cold winds. we have our tents
up in hoods like indians huts two men
in a tente & we go to the woods & get
wood & back in & build little fires in
front of our tents it is most to
cold to write but I will do the best
I can for I do not no when I shall write
agin ^{me} not untill get to Charleston. you
must write as soon as you get this
Mother, & Clarissa. with out delay for it
will follow ~~let~~ ^{us} us go to the ends of the
earth. there is a man by the in our
Company his name is Bisby he own
80. acres of land 6. Miles from the plank
Road that Runs from Calamaco to
Grandrapeds it lays west of the plank
20. Miles from Calamaco. 18. Miles from
Grandrapeds & on the plank where

he turns to to his place there is two
Stoussers & a grist mill & there is
with in a Saw mill in 2. miles of
the farm & a nother in three miles
on Rabbit River ~~they~~ there is a
good School house with in a half a
mile of his house he says he has a
good hude log hous in side & out
& a olde log house he has fore a barn
& a shop & there is a good spring
nere the house the land is looking
high & dry sandy gravel Soil & no
wast land it is timbered land Some bech
Maple white oak plenty of it & white
wood the timber is thrifty & splits
nice he says & he has about 30 acrs chop for
25. under the plow he says they are going
to have a grist mill where the saw
mills ~~is~~ is he offers to sell the
place for 8. hundred dollars he says
he will sell it to me for that he wants
four hundred down & he will wate
two year fore the best. I tell him

if I come home this spring I
will go & see it. it is in Alagon Co
town of Or. they make lots of Maple
shouger. When I come home, Father
we will go & see the place & if we
like it I think we had better still out
go there but they have the best kind of timber
for logs and staves & good land for sheep
cows & hogs. the grass comes in March
I do not like it where we live for it
is so gritty, swampy & black bird hold
March & lakes. he says the woods are
clean no brush in the woods. the
white oaks are large & tall & split like a
Reed and make nice staves there
is a very fine large pine on one corner
of his farm that he is going to save
to build a house & barn he says there is
plenty of white wood on the place a
man can grow to the ^{middle} they sell
well he has lost his wife & his
health is poor & he wants to to keeping
grocery he says it is very healthy there
well I cant think of any more
write at present take good care
of of your selfs Rite soon. your
son. Rayner Wooster, Direct to

Co. A. 1st Mich = Eng = &
Mich = on the March
Beaufort, South Carolina.

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