

Dear Maria I will write a
few more lines I have just
come off drill & I must hurry
for it is most supper time
there is two men tents with
me & I am the cook & one of
them are on guard & one gone to
the town. When we started
out from Goldsboro the
weather was so warm that I
threw away my blanket & one
shirt & a pair of shoes so my
load is not so heavy one tent
one Rubber blanket, havers
ack one canteen, spider, a
quart pail cup, that is my hold
house & furniture, and Father
I hope I shall be there this spring
but you now there is a money
slip betwixt the cup & the lip
that this war has been good