

March Tuesday ^{the} 29-1864

Nashville General Hospital No. 18.

Dear Father & Mother Sisters &
Brothers

I will write to you all a good
family letter this time so you can
all listen. This morning I got up
& just got dressed as the ward master
came a long & hand me a letter that had
come from McMaster that Clarence
had wrote. I was glad to here from
you and that you were all well I am
better to day then I was a Sunday
I set up most all day now and I have
a good apatite to eat. I got the postage
stamps all rite. I have no hope now
nor I have not hoped since I left the
regiment the weather is quite warm
here cool breezes wind & we have rain
most every day the grass is green &
the peach trees are in blow. I can

Get a pass to go out in the City,
every day if I want I shall go out
as soon as I get a little better.

I have a muf to eat bread and butter
potatoes twice a day butter twice
a day pudding molasses baked apples
some times bread pudding boiled in
a bag with raisins in meat pie,
tea & coffee every thing is very
hic here butter is worth 60 cents
a pound eggs five cents a piece
good apples ten cents a piece, Nashville
is quite a large City it full of soldiers
and officers & there is officer to every
five men they travel the streets
offle big & if they catch soldier out
with out a pass they will put him
in the guard house they are getting
big pay what do they care,
the most of the buildings here are brick
the hospital I am in is four storey
high & two hundred & fifty feet
& about 60 wide.

There is wards 1. 2. & 3 I am in the
2 ward there is one hundred & fifty. 7.
beds in a ward they are all numbered
My bed is. 207. The ~~liver~~ room is
a book room & tables set for them
to eat that is well a nup to go down
stairs to eat but you dont haft to
go down a tall if we want a want
to fore they fetch up the bread & butter
& plates & put them on a table but
the bread put it on the plates butter
rather eatables & fetch it to your
bed put it on a stand that sets
to the head of the bed and we can
eat all we want if we are well
a nup they fetch tea & coffee
if a man is able to go wack a round
they will fetch his vitals to him
the docter comes once a day a round
to your bed & see how you are
& gives orders a man that out.
Medeson fetches it your bed ore
Call our number. Read the ^{other} sheet

I shall be here I dont now know
long un till I get able to duty,
I shall stay till the middle of
April if not longer I shant be in no
hurry My time is passing, of let me be
where I will the 14 of April will
be four Monthes I dont expect get
ney pay, un till go to my Regt
for the docter has got my descriptive
list he is to the Regiment & they
ix may not pay after I do get back
for 2. Monts come say that they
dont pay un till we have been
in six Monts, but when they
do pay, I will send I hope the
longer they wate the more there
will be. I expect they I wont
get but 13 dollars a month

I hope that this ~~war~~ war will
Close up by next fall but it
May last three year the kable

Prisoner prisoners that we
get say that the south is getting
whipped as fast as she can
they say we are a starving them
out they desert and come ~~say~~
~~our men~~ go to the north every
now and then when they can
get a chance they say they dont
have ^{help} ~~a~~ nuff to eat General Grant
is making preparing to take
Richmond & if they get her once
it will use them bout up
we are a getting in a pile of men
this spring, I tell you the old
soldiers reenlisting for three yers
more which will mak it so ~~much~~
much the better.

I hope they will close it up by
next fall. and if I live we will
have all of them det's paid up
I tell you what how much better
we can live and be out of det

And not owe nobody a Cent
I am glad that you are a going to
bld you a little ^{corn} fore you need it
bade any but be careful not get
in to det Much. for you no
gather that when this rebellion
is crushed there will ^{be} different
times. and then we dont allwors
want to in det so for we haft
to work so hard to get out
and now is the time to get out
be ~~between~~ now & nex fall.

Mother you must get along with
that old stove fore it is one of the
best old thing I ever see I ~~would~~
would like to hade setch a room
when I was in Camp. we hed to
out doors bld a fire on the ground
wet and cold set sume ^{things} ~~things~~
on put in beans boild mook a
barl of flower take out sume
flower put in to a half barl

I pore in watter, sume grees
that was bride out of pork
Salratus get bleen pined bord
to put it on the barrel to mix
on bake them in a bacitha bake
up lot of them then when
they got thouse and it was
meal time the will holler
dinner to S.O.C. then we would
git our tin plates Copes go out
in mud rane sume times
get sume biscuit & beans & pork
Cope of coffee turn back in the
tent and eat. the last of february
we hade a rane storm it froze ice
on the trees so thick that the limbs
of the trees bell like every thing but
did not eney wone get heret. it
was in the nite and we got out our
tents where there was much danger
in the morning they chopped down
the trees. I do not think of eney more to
write at presant so good by. write
soon as you can. Regeide Mother

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Ward. 2. Bed. No. 201.

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here is one side I per got
bill out so now sence I have eaten
My dinner I will write a little
More I herd that Maria had lost
her child the 22. of february. Mr.
Master herd from home his wife
wrote about it. I think that if
ambrose & Estlin dont go to work
and try to do some thing that
I would have Maria come home
and leave him in tirely and not
have eney thing to do with
him atoll she will be a good deal
beter of then she will to drag her
life out with him she will be
a help to you and Clarence can
to school More you must rite all
of the news you can I expect the
sheep have all got horns by this time
I hope you will have good luck
for they are the best property we have
got. you wont have the other letter
Much before this. Peayide Mosher
Nashville. tennessee. all of
you Write So Good bye

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