

March. 12th 1863.

Camp Parapet
Carrollton. L. A.

Dear Mother I now take
the plasure of answering your
letter that I recieved yesterday
I was very glad to hear that
you wer all wel. I am well
but I hav got A soar on my
thumb but it is geting beter
now & I hope it will get well
soon. you wrote that you hav
hird from that money that
I sent to Mr Hoyt you wrote
that he had let it out but
Uncle David said that he had
sen him & he gave him \$30,00
to told him that I sent it
to him. I wrote to you
befor that I thought that we
should be paid agan that
week but we hav not bin
paid yeat & I do not know
when we shall be paid

you wrote that you had
to work very hard. I do not
want you to work so hard
you know what I have told
you I told you why I went
to the war was so I could get
all the money I could so you
could have a home & not have
to work so hard. I have got
money enough so you ~~won't~~
need not kill your self with
work. if it so happens that
I never get back to N^o H I
told Uncle what to do with
my money I told him to
see that you had a home &
he said that he would. & I
trust he will. I do not think
that I shall be contented when
I get back to N^o H if I do
you know that I do not have
any one to look out for only
you & my self & I calculate

to look out for you as long
as I live & you live for I think
that it belongs to me
it is very healthy out here now
there has not but one side for 2
weeks & you know that this would
as much as that die out of
1000 men if we was in N^o 24
you wrote that it was all news
to you about the washing machine
& calculated for it to be I want^{ed}
him to get it present it to
you for a surprise present but
I see he did not do it I do not
think much of him any way
& I will tell him so if I get
back to N^o 24 again
I wrote to you before I told
you that I had seen Elder
D^r Ciley & he was very glad
to see me he did think that
you had a son so large he
wanted me to be sure for

I write & tell you that
he likes first rate & wanted
to tell you that he sent his
best respects to you all
giv my love to all you
see that I know & tell them
that I am well & like first
rate. from your Son D.D.M.
Sister Mary

I must write you A few
lines. you wrote that you
had not mist A day this wint^{er}
to school I am glad to hear
of that I guess you like beter
than you did going to the
high school if you & Abby
will try & help Mother
all you can when I get
home I will send you &
Abby to school 1 or 2 times
you wanted. to know if I had seen
eny volintines I hav seen som black
ones & I would send you ope in A later
if it did not cost so much but you ps
know it would take A number of stan
tell Abby that I will write soon
& I will try & write mor to you next
time