

Goldsboro Mar 28 1865

Dearest Parents

I thank God I am again where I can hear from you It does me so much good to receive letters from home. I am well and my place is as good as ever

Yours of Jan 29 is in my possession I was on a visit to Co E to day and saw part of the Boys. they look well & tough I had a good visit with Fred too

I have not kept a journal on this campaign because I expect to see you so soon I shall try and talk enough to make it up. I do believe I could have enjoyed Sleigh riding if I could have been where the necessary implements were accumulated but I can wait 9 months more and I dare say I shall find enough to do in the mean time Rebellion has worn its solid foundation out and is beginning to crumble to nothing so fast that its supporters tremble

I do not feel like writing much but I thank God for what he has done and pray for future like success

The scenery is dull and the country is the same old story low level sandy Oaks & Pines Tar Pitch & turpentine I shall not be able to tell you what is going on in Ga. but my remarks will be confined to N.C.

Thomas with his Gallant army sits Proudly down in the Avenue whereby Lee could escape through Tenn. to Ga awaiting the Issue of events while Sherman and his Band of "Thieves" & "Robbers" as we have been emphatically styled by the Southern Press marching thro the life giving portion of the Great Southern Confederacy and Great men have estimated that he will be in operating distance of Grant in less than a month more after he starts again

I had a good visit too with cousin Fred He cut my hair and I am going to give him some Smoking Tobacco

With those two great armies acting in conjunction What will the Grey Backs do They will crawl worse then their namesakes and I dare say find it too hot for comfort

The Silver lining of that Black cloud is truly coming to view and what a glorious rejoicing I will not attempt to describe when we come marching home

But I must close I am in raptures almost forbidden for I have not counted all the cost but whatever comes I pray I may be prepared

Love to all

Yours in true regard and Affection

Charlie

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