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Dear Rhoda I am still in the hospital and enjoy a good degree of helth and i hope that you enjoy the same blissing last week I received a letter from you contaning 1 doller it was hard to pas it but i got red of it at last I wrote you a letter last week and i wrote unkell one on sunday and Elisabeth one on munday yesterday I sent you three little books for the children i want that they should be keep noice and cleand I want that you should learn they hymn on the 77 page in the prtians hymn book and on the 87 page in the other i sent Elisabeth the three last prayes in the prayr boock i thought they would be enteresting to have we have a great many books here there air minesters around very often with books and tracks and papers to give to any one that wants them we have preaching nearly everyday i don't know what you will think of my paper this is some rebble paper i traded paper with a rebble to show you what kind of paper they use down south i have got a confederate pas stant that i will send you tell Maryan that i want that she should write me a long letter and tel me all the newse she can and get hur pay by reeding all the letters that i write to others as well as to herself but i mus con clude give my love to all my frinds

James D Quilliam.