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If you will please accept these few lines in the name of your true friend Frant,

To E.S.

You see this paper has got the initials of your name on it, and will not refuses to take another sheet "for better or for worse". I "reckon" it will be the latter. They have drafted for this town, and as near as I can remember I will give you the names. Daniel A. Dean, George Cooper, Will Thompson. Will told me he intended to go. Its no more for him than others. Champ Wills, Bill Hodges, Mr. Curtis south of here. George Amidown I don't know whether this is spelled rightly or not, we will pray it is. I cannot think of any more. Mr. Hurick has been trying to get volunteers. James fran says he shall go. Billy Shannon says he is going, there is Johnny Herrick. Jimmy Wilcox, Vic Kisre, Harlan Barlock, Addo Sykes and Able Campbell. Whether they will all go or not is more than I can tell. There are two more that I have thought of who were drafted. Manfred and Abe San. Yes another; Joe Drufer.

The well is fixed again ready for work. They have not put in another floor, but put in another apron clear across it the other side of the well goes to the bank. I went down there after singing school last Sunday with Doeria & Grace Hunt & Alzina after we had been there a short time Hellin, Lucy Hubbard & Joe Ward came. What a funny man he is isn't he? I never spoke with him until that day then he came up to me and said something about how much he would give to see you and of course I wouldn't like to see you and I told him " no I didn't care any thing about seeing you!" he kept talking un the same way receiving the same kind of abswers to all his questions until I ran off with Doeria to get some birch. He of course had to get it then he told me to tell you that he and I eat birch together when I wrote to you. I told him I would send a telegraph dispatch if he wished and came home. So ended that day. I think he is the strongest man I ever saw. I saw Albert last Sunday. He will be a beauty if he keeps on. He has a beautiful mustache. I wonder if it is cashmire, Edgar :

There are a lot of men out front running the horses. Gina and I just went out to see them and I fell up the steps and came very near breaking my neck. I don't think i shall go again. Sugaring is over. You didn't have any did you. I didn't have any on;y once and I live in a land of plenty. Mr Maryan is very sick with the fever. he is not expected to live. Yours are probably very well. Mrs. Shannon just went by here. Emily Hurd has come back to Leon again She has been spending the winter months in Pa. and thereabouts. I haven't seen Eunice in quite awhile she has got

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to come here before I go there again Is Del in Nashville yet? I suppose he will stay where he is until his term of service expires. I see you begin to talk of coming home; It will not be long before you will have to count the days instead of the months. May Hiarstead started yesterday for Riley. he is in Maryland, too feeble to come home alone. Philo Sanders died in Richmond sometime ago. Well Edgar I must leave you now to decypher these two sheets _____ sensibliness (sic). I guess it is. It will be about as bad as an anigram (sic) I think.