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May, the , 24 , A, D, 1865

Dear wife and daughter I take my
pen in hand to let you know that I
am well at this time except my eyes
They are sore and they are not very
bad and the Doctor says that they will
be well in a few days again I Received
your letter dated April the 27 1865

Stating that you were all well when
you wrote it and was glad to hear from
you your letters are always welcome we
are within one mile of Demopolis alaba
ma on the Black Warrior River camped
in Rebels barracks and are comfortable
enuff at this time but expect to leave
here before long to start for home as we
have heard that we are to be mustered
out on the eighteenth of June Next
I got a letter from father Dated May
the 7 and I was glad to hear from him
as it was the first I had heard from
him since I left home I am glad to
hear that mothers health is improved so
much

I am glad to hear that my money
is drawing intrust and that note at
gregories is payed off and that account
at gregories is settled you wrote to me
to know what to do about some one
to wait on you when ^{you} are sick you need
not trouble your self about that I expect
to be ~~at~~ there my self and tend to that
we can by flour at the comisaries at ~~five~~
five cents per pound and we can mix that
with corn meal that we draw and that
makes pretty good bread we cant get any
molases here it seems to be scarce here and
every thing els is scarce hear with the
citycens the government has to feed the
Rebels Sogiers and transport them home
they are sending them by hundreds through
here every day on the cars I am sorry to hear
that Nancy haselip was lying so low here
with I send you ten dollars in confeder
ate money in moneymery it was so plenty
that it was lying in the streets so no
more at this time But Remain your
affectionate Husband and friend
untill Death
kiss Laurie ellin William McCoy
for me