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Dear Wife

These lines leaves me tolerable well I hope they will find you and the children well Nearly all of our company have the measles Capt Lamb has it we have eighteen privates fit for duty Reddin B. Parrish of our company son of Ezekiel Parrish died yesterday evening at sundown he was one of the best steadyest young men in our company he had the measles Capt Lamb sent him home last night to be buried brother John is mending slowly McClelland Ed Lamb John Clements J S Roberts & Jasper M Roberts all have it and are doing very well there are about sixty cases in camp Mary I want you to keep away from it if you can and keep in as good heart as you can write to me every chance you have I have not sent any of my clothes home yet for want of a chance I want to hear from you very much I have written to you two letter since I heard from you tell your ^{my} Father to write to me I heard L G Giles has gone into the army is it so how is Thurga a getting along

Your Husband in love
William W Knight

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Dear Wife,

These lines leaves me tolerable well. I hope they will find you and the children well. Nearly tall of our company have the measles. Capt. James has it, we have eighteen privates for duty. Reddin B. Parrish of our company, son of Ezekiel Parrish, died yesterday evening at sundown. He was one of the best, steady young men in our company. He had the measles. Capt. James sent him home last night to be buried. Brother John is mending slowly. McClelland, Ed Lamb, John Clemants, J. S. Roberts & Jasper M Roberts all have it and are doing very well. There are about sixty cases in camp. Mary, I want you to keep away from it if you can and keep in as good heart as you can. Write to me every chance you have. I have not sent any of my clothes home yet for want of a change. I want to hear from you very much. I have written to you two letters since I heard from you. Tell your father to write to me. I heard L.L. Liles has gone into the army, is it so? How is Thurza(?) getting along?

Your Husband in love,

William W. Knight.