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Dear love when I am seated  
to answer your most kind  
and welcome letter to let  
you know that we are all  
well except me and John he  
has been bad for the three last  
days John I don't know what  
to think about him I thought  
he would get well I think  
there is no hope for him now  
oh how I wish you and John  
was well for there is nothing  
like enjoying good health  
was sorry to hear that  
your health was still poor  
but I hope that you may  
soon be restored to good  
health but health and life  
is to us very uncertain



I am glad to hear  
that you are nearly well  
Contented I was a grain that  
you would not like the  
hospital of Dear when I am  
nearly my heart aches to  
think that you was in  
a hospital I hope it was the  
last from Dear I want you  
to come home and stay till  
you get well Since you  
left it seems like some  
one is dead and I fear many  
broom with you we got  
a letter from Jim oh how  
glad I was to hear from him  
ever more he is in California  
at Quantico he is well and  
happy I would like to see  
him I was a warding to  
Mr Emick I want the  
next day after you left  
I came home a Sunday he is

a old decision out and out  
the talk is that they are  
a go its draft I hope they  
will for there is some I  
want to go and I don't care  
how close far I want to see  
how they will be when  
they get in a battle some  
of the boys I want Mr  
Dasher talk of go and Jack  
Trick and John Trick Mr  
Dasher went to Baton today  
to see about it and we  
will hear what he will  
do he wanted to be a Captain  
and get up a regiment I  
think he will make a good  
Captain I wish he was ~~you~~  
you boys Captain I cant write  
much far I feel very bad I cant  
not speak a word a whisper my  
lungs are swell I got meet  
and that is why I cant speak



but that is nothing new  
for me you know if you  
was well i wouldnt  
care for my self so you  
was well but Dear take good  
care of your self and dont  
forget me for i will not  
forget you i have dream a  
bout you last night since  
you left John the Father  
is bapten me here to day  
that he is Mary Jane was  
here a Sunday they was  
all well John com home if  
you can for i know you cant  
stay it i told you how i  
think they mite you com  
home i will wait for  
the present by saying  
good by now I want you  
to write soon and tell me  
how you getting a long  
John & Piles Sarah & Harriette  
Good bye Love