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Near, Chalmsmith, Va., Feb. 5th, 1863.

Dear Brother, Friends,

I do not feel much like writing to day and shall not attempt to send this until tomorrow but I thought I would write a few lines to kill time if nothing more I sent a letter out to Mary yesterday it is now nearly 4 weeks P.M. I have cut up a good deal to day that is more than any day previous and what do you guess has the reason of it? Think I'll tell you Boy came this Mo. safe and sound or nearly so the apples pie was spoiled with mold as most of the doughnuts and the platter were all broken there was a very little mold on the pine pies but not to injure them. Everything else was in perfect shape.

The Boys brought it in to me and helped open it with Kind-gram They all think it the nicest Boy of stuff they had seen. The dried apples and Butter made their eyes hang right out as did
Sunday, Jan 26th

I am happy to inform you that I am feeling much better this day than any before. Expecting my mind that is somewhat disturbed for we have had orders to be ready to move at a moment's notice. The whole army is in this Corps at least is to go to N Carolina. I left the Hospital this morning as I was in the best condition to leave of any and other men others who were very sick in their tents and needed Hospital care very much.
I'm am a good many sick now in the Bugt and m am all going to Washington, D.C., although I think some of going with the Bugt I want to try much but all advise me to go to Washington We may go to night— I feel any about my hop now I cannot carry it or but little this is in it. But it come just in time after all for the clothing I was in need of may much I need a letter from Mother too morning chat down me a great deal of good, the letter as well as the ten dollar bill which I found enclosed I was glad to learn that you will all improving in health I shall have to stop him and see about my things being ready but my not more before I send it if not I shall with the first opportunity much love to all is even your brothers son O.W. Miller

Good night I have concluded to go to Washington

Charles W