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Dear wife i once morre im brace the opportunity of wright you afew lines to let you now that iam well and i hope these few lines will find you in joying the same potion of Goas bless in ihav alitle newse to wright wee hav had a fight clost her it come off the 27 our men whoop thim bad and run thim off and left every thing on the batle field wee cild 45 of thim and idont now how many was wounded wee onley lost four that ihav hera of won was child two drounded one was misen tha dont now what become of him thim two was drounded by crosen over two thim after knight mee and 22 more of our Co was down at the River a gardnet i herd the Canon plane i saw the flash from the canon when tha word shoot tha comenst a litle befoone day fought tell one oclock the next morning it tis estimated that wee got betwen 10 and twenty five thousan ~~from th~~ Pollars worth of Property from thim tha warnt none of our Redgiment in the fight that i now of the yankeys is all aleavning this potion of the Country to wards Gnashville i think

the fight was on Batle Creek about seven
milas of from wher iwas wee had to guard
a fery to ceep any purson from crosen or going upor
down the river it twas Rankens feary s hear
that Generel Morgan has giv thim two whoop ings
Last week in Kantucky and got a vast quanty of
Stuff from thim and Generl Price has got
posesion of Huntsville the yankeys burnt
up the most of thar Goverment Stoorse
in this last fight i jest come of picket
dewty this mornning i like th[illegible] very
much for wee did not hav m[illegible]
wee was out ~~twenty four~~ fourt[illegible]
at a time tha is two Co ti g[illegible]
and the River Capt F Odgdo[illegible]
Lt J Hudgens is plast at the [illegible]
Bridge and three left at Charl[illegible]
down at Shellmount wee ai[illegible]
worst that iever saw wee [illegible]
Makey tha say that the i[illegible]
hant got nary Lieutenant [illegible]
Colonel wrote to amen[illegible]
the name of whiten bu[illegible]
of the ofis nor Magor Sta[illegible]
sow i reckon that wee wi[illegible]

Wm R J To M F Jones

Mrs M F Jones my Dear wife it dos my
Poor litle sole Good to hav the Blesed
privolidge of wrighten to you for inow it tis
a satesfacttion to you to her from mee for
that reason it dos mee sow mutch good to
wright to you i will do any thing in my
power that wood bee any satesfacttion to
you in this world or the world to com i will
tell you about the foon Odgdons pickets
had [illegible] the river the other day tha was a
[illegible] down the river in a yall tha
[illegible] him to come to thim he sed
[illegible] nd turnd like he was coming to
[illegible] padle bacwards to the bank
[illegible] he was agiten out five of
[illegible] at him but he got away
[illegible] w whether tha hi thim or
[illegible] a got a fine cote worth fifteen
[illegible] llars and a fine par of boots
[illegible] s litle tricks the union
[illegible] her but i think that
[illegible] leave her or joine the army
[illegible] fore long for tha air doin
[illegible] than the yankes is tha
[illegible] ies her the yankeys wont thim hav

Wm R Jones To M F Jones

My Dear and affection Companion it has bin along time to mee sence i parted with you but you seem jest as nye to mee as you ever did in the world and i think that it twill all ways bee that away as long as i ceap my sences and i now that it twill bee the same way with you the batle was at bredg port in stid of batle Creek i hav not got nary leter ony one from you yet i hav wrote one to pap two to Fayette i think long of the time but wate with pations tell Gran pa and Gran Mah hody for mee tell thim to pray for mee when it goes well with thim i hope that i will bee prepared to meete thim in hever when i leave this trublesom world tell pap and mother pet and haty to wright to mee i wood bee glad to her from any of thim tell Elizebeth that A T is well tell her to wright to mee J R Shelton is tolerble well Fania i want you to Chiss my sweet babe for mee and hug it to as often as it can bear it direct your leters to Chattanooga and the tha will come to us any wher wright often as you can and i will do the same amen

Wm R Jones To M F Jones and friends