

Lafayette Ga.
Sept 15 / 1863

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attempt to consolidate the Battalions has
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way or the other. I quit so as to give
all a chance to buy a sword

Yours son
Bolling



Dear Father,

Being at this time here with
Bolling, I take the opportunity to write.
Tom and myself are well and have
been since we last wrote.

We are all here and all well. We are
somewhat uneasy about Frank not
having heard from him in some time.
We have been trying very hard to get
a fight out of the Yanks but have not
succeeded. The whole army is in high
spirits and good fighting trim.

We hear that Hancock's & Rhode's Divisions
are here from Virginia or very near.
We are confident of victory complete.
Ben is doing well. Was delighted to
see Perry. We all expect to fight
but don't know how soon. Give my
love to all the children we are very anxious to
hear from you.
Yours
Asa Hall.

Camp Near Fayetteville La
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Dear father

It has been a long time since we have had a chance to write home, but a much longer since we have heard from home. Genl Gracie I understand is going to send a courier to a post office in a few minutes and we want to send this by him. We have had hard times lately marching. The dust is worse than I have ever seen & must close as you want to write some. We have seen Lt Keese Bill Jackson Jim Hall Ed Crenshaw & others of yours & Fred Hall



My Dear father

I have just a little time to write to you. Bro James and self are over with Bro Bolling and them. Since I last wrote to you we have had some very hard marching to do. Have been two or three times drawn up in line of battle and ready to attack the enemy at any moment but they were always too full of foot and made good their escape.

Your son

F B Hall

My Dear Father

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cove but they escaped, I saw but one dead Yankee
on the field. Our Brigade evinced an excellent spirit
and drive while advancing on the enemy, and there
is no doubt of their willingness and eagerness
to engage at all hazards. It is understood Longstreet
or Evell one or the other has part of his corps now
at Dalton. It has a fine effect.

The Campaign has not yet developed itself more
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the object of our move, as for my part I don't
believe the Yankees will occupy the Southern shore
of the River many days without fighting for it,
I understand we hold Cumberland Gap if so the
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