

Camp near Etowah
Nov 16th 1864

Dear Father,

Ben arrived safely the
day before yesterday. He brought
the box and contents through safe.
It was as welcome as twas unexpected
by me. It came in good time for
the other articles I brought with me
were just going out. I am still
in good health. We have no news
in camp, have settled down to the
regular hum-drum of camp life.
Received your letter informing me
from Carrie & Herbert. I also received
one from Laura, which I will an-
swer soon.

Love my love to all.

Your Affec Son

Ben A. Hall



P.S.

Enclosed you will find a copy
of a piece, written by Col. Sumner
to the memory of Jim. I have
a song book which Jim owned.
Col. S. asked me to lend it to
him, and when he returned
it I found the enclosed.

Just Hall

P.S.

I gave you \$22⁰⁰ to pay to Mrs
Carwile or Zack Carwile for Dixon
Carwile killed at Chickamauga.
I had paid this money before
but forgot it. The \$22⁰⁰ is my
own. Strike it from the
list.

Just Hall

Lines to the memory of Private
 Thomas Brown Hall Co. A. 24th Ala
 Regt. C. S. A. age seventeen years ten
 months, and — — who was mortally
 wounded at in front of his Regt., at the
 battle of Chickamauga, on the 20th of
 Sept. 1863 while bearing the Regimental
 colors, which he had taken from the
 regular color bearer, exclaiming
 as he pressed forward —
 "Come on boys, remember you
 are Alabamians"

By Lieut. Col. B. F. Sawyer Col. 24th
 Ala Regt Vol. C. S. A.

Jan 16
 1864
 James

Will the brothers and sisters of Thomas
B. deal accept the following, as a heart-
felt tribute to the memory of their
noble brother.

Benj. Sanger

Lt. Col. 24th Ala. Regt. Inf.

^{1st} When came the hordes of the cruel north
To enslave our sunny land,
He left his books, and hurried forth
To meet the invading band.

^{2nd} With a boys sweet face, but a man's stout heart
The pride of his friends he stood
Pure in his motives, guileless of art
Generous, brave, and good.

³ In the field, on the march, or at duty's post
Alike he was loved and blest
And those of his comrades who loved him most
Were the ones who knew him best.

A. Col. B. Sawyer & Thomas Seal

4th And when like an earthquake deafening shock
The battle burst over his head
He stood amid the carnage, firm as a rock
Reckless of dying and dead

5th Onward he passed through the sulphurous breath
That swept the encampaned range
Unconscious of danger fearless of death
Till he fell in the terrible charge

6th And bright & fair as the brightest name
That was given to glory that day
In the halls that circle the hero boy's fame
Still hallow his memory for aye

7th How calmly sweet is the young hero's sleep
Free from war's bitter alarms
While dear friends at home for their loved one weep
He's happy in Jesus' arms

Camp near Dalton Geo
Jan 18th 1864

Dear Father,

Ben arrived safely the day before yesterday. He brought the box and contents through safe. It was as welcome as twas unexpected by me. It came in good time for the other eatables I brought with me were just giving out. I am still in good health. We have no news in camp, have settled down to the regular hum-drum of camp life. I received your letter enclosing one from Carrie & Charles. I also received one from Laura, which I will answer soon.

Give my love to all.

Your Affec Son
Jas A Hall

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Jas A Hall

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Being: Sawyer

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Lt. Col. B. Sawyer of Thomas Hall

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- 7th How calmly sweet is the young hero's sleep
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