

Dalton La. Feb. 16. 1864

My Dear Father

Least Myrick will
leave for home this evening and
will either send you the letter or
drop it in by the express to get
a horse (belonging to one of my men)
in Montgomery to ride home. If
he gets the horse he will have
to get a saddle elsewhere, I told
him to call on you for a saddle, as
he has no friends in Montgomery.
He could not hire a saddle and bridle
from the drug store. If he does
not succeed in getting the horse he
expects to get he will also have
to depend on you ^{for a horse}. I hope you will
not excuse the liberty I take in con-
sidering this. Truly, your obedient
son for transportation. Let

I know from experience how distressing
it makes them to lose a single day
from home, and I cannot

Let, McGrick, have will deliver to you
a carpet bag containing clothing, &c
the property of Lt. Warthrop who
was either killed or taken prisoner
at Missionary Ridge. Please take
charge of them, have the clothing
washed and repacked in the car-
pet bag and a parcel away. I will
write to his brother whose post off-
ice is at Shelby, Wayne County, Ala
and inform him where he can
get them.

I suppose that Col. Sawyer called on you
and delivered the letter I send by
him. If you have not sent
the bundle I write to his wife some
days about a quarter of a pound

Some of the sulphur very much
cannot get it done.

of Sulphur. I have written
to Mr. King but haven't heard from
him yet. I hope that Johnson
has had some persuasion for his
services in the shape of a few
dollars. He surely deserves one.
I expect that I was staying when I
have spent so little time at home
as any officer in the service, for
I think I have been in the service
I did not spend altogether three weeks
at home. There are only two of my
men now who have not been
and I hope they will get their families
before winter closes. It has been
very cold now for 48 hours.
We were from Miss. I do not
believe that there is an outbreak
that I must moderate the more
moderate than. What all will be well

My health is good. Ben is
well. He sent his "expecta" to all
whites and darkeys and says he is
doing "mighty well" and is "mighty
well satisfied". He says also "all my
bundy and tette are of the ^{children} and whip
are going to make me good".

Ben is an excellent boy and does
the best that he can.

I have not heard from him since
an hour or more, and am getting
very anxious about it.

Love to all,

Your Affecⁿ Ben
West Hill



Dalton Ga. Feb 18th, 1864

My Dear Father,

Lieut. Myrick will leave for home this evening and will either hand you this letter or drop it in PO He expects to get a horse (belonging to me or my men) in Montgomery to ride home. If he gets the horse he will have to get a saddle elsewhere I told him to call on you for a saddle if he has no friends in Montgomery. He could not hire saddle and bridle from the livery stables. If he does not succeed in getting the horse he expects to get he will also have to depend on your ^{for a horse}. I hope you will not excuse the liberty I take in sending this happy furloughed one on you for transportation - but

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I know from experience how distressed it makes them to lose a single day from home. ~~and I cannot~~

Lt. Myrick ~~car~~ will deliver to you a carpet bag containing clothing, all the property of Lt Northrup who was either killed or taken prisoner at Missionary Ridge. Please take charge of them, have the clothing washed and repacked in the carpet bag and stored away. I will write to his mother whose post office is at Shiloh Marengo County Ala and inform her where she can get them

I suppose that Col Sawyer called on you and delivered the letter I sent by ~~you~~ him. If you have not sent the barrel I wrote for please send also, about a quarter of a pound

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I need the sulphur very much
and cannot get it here.

of Sulphur I have written
to Bolling but haven't heard from

him yet. I hope that Johnnie has had compensation for his services in the shape of a furlough. He surely deserves one I expect that (excepting John) I ^{have} spent as little time at home as any office in the service, for although I have been home three times I did not spend altogether three weeks at home. There are only two of my men now who have not been home and I hope they will get theirs furlough before winter closes. It has been very cold now for 48 hours. Our news from Miss looks rather badly but there is so much mystery that I cant understand the movements there. Hope all will be well

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My health is good. Ben is well. He sends his "expects" to all whites and darkies and says he is doing "mighty well" and is "mighty well satisfied." He says also "Tell Amy howdy and take care of the ^{children} and whip em some to make em good"

Ben is an excellent boy and does the best that he can.

I have not heard from home now in over 2 weeks, and am getting very anxious about it.

Love to all,

Your Affec Son

Jas A Hall