

Cum gratia

March 27. 1863

My dear Father,

The last letter I wrote was to Sister. Your last was dated March 5th which is the latest we have heard from home. The mail is managed very badly.

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I will have to go to a place some ten or twenty miles from Knoxville & report to Col Thompson.

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63 Tenn. "

Hilliards Legion

Kain's Battery

Baxter's "

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We have quite cold weather here
now, though it was raining yesterday.
Johnny is at present about on an
expedition about twenty miles
from here on the Cumberland River
with fifty men guarding some
ferry boats so that the 43rd Ala.
can recross the river when it returns

from a foraging expedition into Ky.
We look for them back every day
& will not leave until they return.
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I suppose Knoxville will be the
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paign but you may be assured
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We are in good health.

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Yours affec^{ly} son
P. Hall Jr.



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