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Huston

Camp 24th Ala. Regt.
Near Chattanooga, Aug. 15th, 1863.

My Dear Bettie:

It has been six days since I last wrote you and I really feel ashamed of myself for not writing you sooner, but yesterday the day I intended writing I was engaged all day and did not have time to write and consequently had to defer it until to day.

I received a letter from you yesterday in which I was glad to learn that you were all well at home. You stated that little Maggie had been sick. The fear that some of you will get sick often keeps me uneasy and troubled but when I receive a letter from you and learn that all are well, it consoles me and in a measure reconciles me to our long separation.

I think I shall make another effort in a day or two to get home but I have very little if any of succeeding, but still there is one thing very certain. I shall never get permission unless I ask for it and I don't know that it will do me any harm if I ask and should be refused. I don't see any particular reason for our Generals wanting to keep all the Field Officers while we are doing nothing as we are at present, and no fight anticipated soon. Still we do not see every thing in the same light that they do, in fact it is not expected and consequently should always be willing to yield willing obedience to all their orders. I am very sorry to hear of Jim's illness. He was fortunate I think in getting to Lauderdale Springs and I hope when Mag reaches him, that through good attention and good nursing he will soon be restored to health again. Mag is a good nurse and her presence doubtless will have a good effect and tend greatly to promote his recovery.

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Good Bye,
Newton.