Camp 41th Regt. Ala Vols.
Dalton Ga.
Thursday Morning Jan. 7 1864

Dear Sister,

It is with pleasure that I seat myself this cloudy day to write you a few lines, which will inform you all that me and James are both well and hearty hoping these few words may come safe to hand and find you and your little children doing well. With the rest of the connection. I recd. a letter from Hiram dated 24th & 27th of Decr I am sorry to hear of his misfortune losing his furlough and having to report back to his command. I am fearful that he will not stand it, without he has improved surprising to what I expected - I am glad that Pa. is coming up with Welch to see us. I would be glad to see him and learn all about his business

And how you are getting along with the world &c. Belsy I have no news worth writing this Morning. We have got back from Town after about 20 days Duty. We here waiting for the wheath-er to moderate so we can move over the Hill a piece to build winter quarters, and be handy to wood. It is cold enough here to freeze the Teeth off of a hand Saw, Sleeting Snowing Raining & freezing all the time. John A Daniels has returned to his command, and is now sick and gone to a Hospitle again with the Diarhoea. Tell Linnie that Dave is all Setting up Steepe

The Health of our Co. is very good at present, I enjoy Spendid good health now, feel like I could chace a Sausage to its remote extrem-ity. Christmas will come with me yet if somebody dont mind, Tell Frank to be gal, while I am gone, write Wel at comes, I am &c. John T—

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Well Mary.

I will trot

a few lines for fear I get a

Scolding. Although I ask you not

to think hard of me for not writing

I write as often as possible

Mollie I dont know that I

have anything on my mind

at present that would interest

you. I would like to be or have

been their Christmas to fly round

with you all and drink egg-

-nogg and fry candy &c.

Eet fatty Bread and Ribs

But I just as Sour have a good

dish of Cabbage & Bacon as any

-thing else. But they have played

out up here, like every thing else

but Army Deciplin and it is

badly effected. John Osburn

got a little flour Pork from

Opelika and we are going to

...nd have a good Dinner
... Trammel and Malbrey's
...ife came up and brought
... Strother a cake and
...e butter. Jim has got the
doe most ready for manufactu-
-ring buskets. You may guess
that we will have a magnif-
-icent time of it. to day
We going to have calico doings
on a chunk. Mollie if this
letter gets there in time for
Welch Send me some Scraps
to patch my Pantloons. on my
Anecdote. I have not had them
off three or four times since I left
home. Mary I sent you Testament
by Ted Adamson. Sis a Silver spoon
Tell Bud I will Send him a nice
Missouri Coat When Pa. comes
I have got it ready for him. in my
Knapsack I must close for I
cold I Remain as ever. John T Pearson