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Dear wife

I received yours of the 5 this morning and was glad to hear from you and to hear that you was well and enjoying your selves a letter from you does me more good than you can imagin I am situated more cumfortable than I was when I wrote you last we have made us a sort of log hut that rivles all modern architecture we have laid it up four logs high and coverd it with our tent cloth for a roof we sleep in one end have a fire place in the other and a kitchen in the seenter you would laugh to see us do our house work it is better than it was when we lived out doore how long we shal be permitted to enjoy it I can not say I hope until warm weather but I guess not we are liable to be caled on to take up our line of march any moment thare is no news to write that I know of I just recieved your letter of dec 2th night before last but did not answer it for I have recieved one since that but I was very glad to get it for it come from home my health is very good at pressent I want you to make your selfe cumfortable if you ever get any money to do it with which I hope you will before long I do not want you to stent your selfe to one or two desses if you need them or aney thing eltse that you want the reasson that I spoke about paying Mark was for your own good I do not know as you had better pay him at pressent if they are going to be so long about paying me you may ned all the money that you can get my candle is going out and I shal have to finish in the morning Wel it is morning again and I am am all right Daniel Keyes is here to mark the place whare we buried Frank he feeles pretty bad about his death thare is not quite so mutch sickness as thare was when I wrote last thare no chance to write our tent is full this morning talking about home and the close of the war for my part I have give the idea up of settleing this thing up I think that we shal have to serve our time out here wel I can stand it but I do not want to if you were here I would not care but thare is no use talking that cannot be we will hope for the best and let it go at that you must not burry any trouble on my acount it wil do no good use your judgement in regard to matters at home and do the best that you can rest asured that my mind on you and home continually take good care of the babies and kiss them for me and throw one in for selfe write soon A H